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February 16, 2022

Kevin F. Coppinger, Sheriff  
Essex County Sheriff's Department Headquarters  
20 Manning Avenue  
Middleton, MA 01929 (electronic copy)

Re: Facility Inspection – Essex County Women in Transition, Salisbury

Dear Sheriff Coppinger:

In accordance with M.G.L. c. 111, §§ 5, 20, and 21, as well as Massachusetts Department of Public Health (Department) Regulations 105 CMR 451.000: Minimum Health and Sanitation Standards and Inspection Procedures for Correctional Facilities; 105 CMR 480.000: Storage and Disposal of Infectious or Physically Dangerous Medical or Biological Waste (State Sanitary Code, Chapter VIII); 105 CMR 590.000: Minimum Sanitation Standards for Food Establishments (State Sanitary Code Chapter X); the 2013 Food Code; 105 CMR 500.000 Good Manufacturing Practices for Food; and 105 CMR 205.000 Minimum Standards Governing Medical Records and the Conduct of Physical Examinations in Correctional Facilities; the Department's Community Sanitation Program (CSP) conducted an inspection of the Essex County Women in Transition on February 11, 2022 accompanied by Assistant Superintendent Krystina McFarland. Violations noted during the inspection are listed below including 2 repeat violations:

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Shanene Pierce  
Environmental Health Inspector, CSP, BEH

cc: Margret R. Cooke, Commissioner, DPH  
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## **HEALTH AND SAFETY VIOLATIONS**

(\* indicates conditions documented on previous inspection reports)

### *Hallway*

105 CMR 451.350                      Structural Maintenance: Main entrance door not rodent and weathertight

### *Control Office (# 2)*

No Violations Noted

### *Program Coordinator's Office (# 3)*

No Violations Noted

### *Deputy Superintendent's Office (# 4)*

No Violations Noted

### *Laundry/Therapy Room (# 5)*

No Violations Noted

### *Staff Bathroom (# 6)*

No Violations Noted

### *Copy/Storage Room (# 7)*

No Violations Noted

### *Hot Water Heater Room (# 8)*

No Violations Noted

### *HSU (# 9)*

No Violations Noted

### *Communication Closet (# 10)*

No Violations Noted

### *Visitor's Bathroom (# 12)*

No Violations Noted

### ***Dorm Rooms***

105 CMR 451.322\*                      Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all dorm rooms

### *Dorm Room (# 11)*

105 CMR 451.123                      Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty in bathroom

### *Dorm Room (# 13)*

105 CMR 451.353                      Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged near exterior egress door  
105 CMR 451.123                      Maintenance: Wall damaged behind toilet and handwash sink

### *Dorm Room (# 14)*

105 CMR 451.123                      Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty in bathroom  
105 CMR 451.123                      Maintenance: Wall damaged behind handwash sink

*Dorm Room (# 15)*

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Large gaps between floor tiles in bathroom

*Dorm Room (# 16)*

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Baseboards separating from wall in bathroom

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Large gaps between floor tiles in bathroom

*Dorm Room (# 17)*

No Violations Noted

*Shower Room (# 18)*

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling vents dusty in bathroom

105 CMR 451.130\*

Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, loose water control fixture in shower #2

***Kitchen (# 19)***

The following Food Code violations listed in **BOLD** were observed to be corrected on-site.

*Handwash Sink*

**FC 7-204.11(A)**

**Operational Supplies and Applications, Chemicals: Sanitizer for food-contact surface does not meet the requirements specified in 40 CFR 180.940<sup>P</sup>, sanitizing concentration too strong**

*Community and Dining Room (# 20)*

No Violations Noted

**Observations and Recommendations**

1. The inmate population was 12 at the time of inspection.
2. The CSP observed the sanitizer concentration exceeded the manufacturer's directions. The CSP recommends creating and posting sanitizer mixing directions to ensure the sanitizer is prepared in accordance with the manufacturer's directions.
3. The CSP observed sanitizer stored in a single use white container. The CSP recommends using color coded, reusable buckets to store chemicals such as sanitizer. Red buckets are typically used for storing sanitizer and green buckets are typically used for holding soapy water.

This facility does not comply with the Department's Regulations cited above. In accordance with 105 CMR 451.404, please submit a plan of correction within 10 working days of receipt of this notice, indicating the specific corrective steps to be taken, a timetable for such steps, and the date by which correction will be achieved. The plan should be signed by the Superintendent or Administrator and submitted to my attention, at the address listed above.

To review the specific regulatory requirements please visit our website at [www.mass.gov/dph/dcs](http://www.mass.gov/dph/dcs) and click on "Correctional Facilities" (available in both PDF and RTF formats).

To review the Food Establishment Regulations or download a copy, please visit the Food Protection website at [www.mass.gov/dph/fpp](http://www.mass.gov/dph/fpp) and click on "Retail food". Then under DPH Regulations and FDA Code click "Merged Food Code" or "105 CMR 590.000 - State Sanitary Code Chapter X - Minimum Sanitation Standards for Food Establishments".

To review the Labeling regulations please visit the Food Protection website at [www.mass.gov/dph/fpp](http://www.mass.gov/dph/fpp) and click on "Food Protection Program regulations". Then under Food Processing click "105 CMR 500.000: Good Manufacturing Practices for Food".

This inspection report is signed and certified under the pains and penalties of perjury.

Sincerely,

Shanene Pierce  
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