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December 7, 2012

Robert J. Garvey, Sheriff
Hampshire County Jail and House of Correction
205 Rocky Hill Road
Northampton, MA 01060

Re: Facility Inspection

Dear Sheriff Garvey:

In accordance with M.G.L. c. 111, §§ 5, 20, and 21, and Department of Public Health 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 1999 Food Code; and 105 CMR 205.000 Minimum Standards Governing Medical Records and the Conduct of Physical Examinations in Correctional Facilities; I conducted an inspection of the Hampshire County Jail and House of Correction on November 25, 2011 accompanied by Capt. Robert Hodgen, Correctional Officer and Peter Wheeler, Environmental Health Inspector of the Community Sanitation Program. Violations noted are listed below (* indicates conditions documented on previous inspection reports).

ENTRANCE AREA

No Violations Noted

MEDICAL

105 CMR 480.500(B)(1) Procedures; Records; Record-Keeping Log: Improper record keeping

SPECIAL MANAGEMENT UNIT

A Block

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Wall vent blocked in cell # J1

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Floor tile damaged in front of cell # J18

B Block

Showers

105 CMR 451.122* Shower Floors: Damaged cove molding in the lower shower

105 CMR 451.122* Shower Floors: Damaged cove molding in the upper shower

Barber Shop

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Barber chair damaged

Cane Shop

No Violations Noted

HOUSE

Unit # 1

No Violations Noted

Showers

No Violations Noted

Unit # 2

No Violations Noted

Showers

No Violations Noted

Unit # 3

No Violations Noted

Showers

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Soap scum on upper shower wall

Unit # 4

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Light blocked in cell # C 36

Showers

No Violations Noted

Unit # 5

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Wall vent blocked in cell # C 43

Showers

105 CMR 451.350

Structural Maintenance: Ceiling damaged in lower shower

105 CMR 451.350

Structural Maintenance: Base board loose from wall in hallway of lower shower

Unit # 6

No Violations Noted

Showers

105 CMR 451.122

Shower Floors: Damaged floor tile in the upper shower

Unit # 7

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Dirty air vent in lower storage

Showers

No Violations Noted

Unit # 8

No Violations Noted

Showers

No Violations Noted

MAIN KITCHEN

FC 5-205.15(B)

Plumbing System, Operations and Maintenance: Plumbing system not maintained in good repair, faucet leaking in pot wash area

FC 4-501.11(A) Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment not maintained in a state of good repair, Ice buildup in walk-in unit # 1
FC 4-501.11(A) Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment not maintained in a state of good repair, Ice buildup in meat storage unit # 6

Dining
No Violations Noted

Dry Storage
No Violations Noted

LAUNDRY
105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Lint buildup in all dryer units

MODULAR

North
105 CMR 451.353* Interior Maintenance: Broken window shade in room # 2 and 6

Showers
105 CMR 451.123* Maintenance: Shower dirty
105 CMR 451.130 Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, first toilet damaged

Day Room South
105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Seat damaged on chair

South
No Violations Noted

Showers
105 CMR 451.123* Maintenance: Showers dirty
105 CMR 451.353* Interior Maintenance: Mop stored on wall

Culinary Art Kitchen (new)
No Violations Noted

SALLYPORT

No Violations Noted

Lower Level Housing

UNIT #1
105 CMR 451.103 Mattresses: Mattress damaged in Cell # 1

UNIT # 2
No Violations Noted

MINIMUM SECURITY

A Block
105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Light blocked in cell # 1 and 4
105 CMR 451.350 Structural Maintenance: Wall damaged in lower level hallways near bathroom

B Block
No Violations Noted

C Block

No Violations Noted

D Block

No Violations Noted

E Block

No Violations Noted

F Block

No Violations Noted

LAUNDRY

No Violations Noted

WEIGHT ROOM

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Seat damaged on bench press

REGIONAL LOCKUP

No Violations Noted

Observations and Recommendations

- The inmate population was 231 at the time of inspection
- Lower level housing not in use

This facility does not comply with the Department's Regulations cited above. In accordance with 105 CMR 451.404, please indicate next to each entry on the inspection report a plan of correction. Said plan of correction must be submitted within ten working days of receiving this report and should detail the specific steps that will be taken and the date of expected compliance. The plan of correction should be 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 and click on "Community Sanitation Regulations" (available in both PDF and RTF formats).

To review the Food Establishment regulations please visit the Food Protection website at www.mass.gov/dph/fpp and click on "Food Protection Regulations". Then under "Retail" click "105 CMR 590.000 - State Sanitary Code Chapter X - Minimum Sanitation Standards for Food Establishments" and "1999 Food Code".

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

Sincerely,



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