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Allison Hallett, Superintendent
Pondville Correctional Center
P.O. Box 146
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(electronic copy)

Re: Facility Inspection - Pondville Correctional Center, Norfolk

Dear Superintendent Hallett:

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 Pondville Correctional Center on March 3, 2022 accompanied by Amanda Hines, Environmental Health and Safety Officer. Violations noted during the inspection are listed below including 21 repeat violations:

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

Sincerely,

Kelli Poulin
Environmental Health Inspector, CSP, BEH

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HEALTH AND SAFETY VIOLATIONS

(* indicates conditions documented on previous inspection reports)

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

FOOD SERVICE

Dining Area

No Violations Noted

Kitchen

FC 6-501.12(A)

Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, sprayer head dirty at 1-compartment sink near dishwasher

FC 7-102.11

Labeling and Identification, Working Containers: Working container of poisonous/toxic materials missing common name of material^{Pt}

FC 4-602.11(E)(4)(b)

Cleaning of Equipment and Utensils, Frequency: Accumulation of soil observed on interior surfaces of ice machine

Mechanical Warewashing Area

No Violations Noted

Front Dry Storage

FC 6-501.16

Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Wet mop stored upside down in hallway

Walk-in Refrigerator/Freezer

No Violations Noted

Office

FC 4-501.11(B)*

Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment components not maintained in a state of good repair refrigerator gaskets moldy

Rear Dry Storage

105 CMR 451.383(B)

Fire Safety System: Facility not in compliance with 780 CMR Massachusetts Building Code provisions for fire safety, items stored within 18 inches of ceiling

Exterior Freezer

FC 6-202.15(A)(3)

Design, Construction, and Installation; Functionality: Exterior double-doors not self-closing or tight-fitting

Toxic Caustic Room (near Barber Shop)

No Violations Noted

WAREHOUSE

Bulk Storage (Outside)

105 CMR 451.360*

Protective Measures: Effective measures against the presence of rodents on the premises not taken, rodent droppings observed

105 CMR 451.350

Structural Maintenance: Floor surface damaged

Toxic Caustic

No Violations Noted

Laundry

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Washing machine lid rusted

Barber Shop

No Violations Noted

House Manager's Office

No Violations Noted

PROPERTY

105 CMR 451.383(B)*

Fire Safety System: Facility not in compliance with 780 CMR Massachusetts Building Code provisions for fire safety, items stored within 18 inches of ceiling

CONTROL

Shift Commander Office (Medical Waste Policies/Procedures Book)

No Violations Noted

Female Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Male Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Classroom

No Violations Noted

Staff Break Room

105 CMR 451.200

Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with - 105 CMR 590.000, single-use items not stored at least 6 inches above the floor

Staff Bathroom (in Hall)

No Violations Noted

Holding Cell

No Violations Noted

DAY ROOM

No Violations Noted

Library

No Violations Noted

VISITING ROOM

No Violations Noted

H.S.U.

Medical Records/Treatment Room

No Violations Noted

Doctor's Office

Unable to Inspect – In Use

Nurse's Office (Medical Waste Log Book)

No Violations Noted

Offices

No Violations Noted

Administrative Assistants Office

No Violations Noted

IPS Office

No Violations Noted

Staff Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Medical Waste Storage (Boiler Room)

No Violations Noted

ADMINISTRATION AREA

No Violations Noted

Superintendent Office

No Violations Noted

Deputy Superintendent Office

No Violations Noted

HOUSING UNITS

1-1

Bathroom

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Floor drain clogged outside of showers

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Wall tiles damaged near urinal

Cells

105 CMR 451.320*

Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in cells, cells double bunked

Work Release Office

No Violations Noted

Laundry

No Violations Noted

Mail/I.D Office

No Violations Noted

1-2

Bathroom

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Exhaust fan dusty

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # 2

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Floor drain clogged outside of showers

Cells

105 CMR 451.320*

Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in cells, cells double bunked

105 CMR 451.350

Structural Maintenance: Window damaged in hallway

Laundry

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Dryer exhaust hose not sealed properly

1-3

Bathroom

105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower
105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Wall tiles damaged in shower
105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Drain cover not secured in shower

Handicapped Bathroom

105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Mold on floor and walls in the shower
105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Radiator corner damaged

Cells

105 CMR 451.320*	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in cells, cells double bunked
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2-1

Cells

105 CMR 451.320*	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in cells, cells double bunked
105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Window shade damaged in cell # 204

Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Slop Sink (in Bathroom)

No Violations Noted

Records/Classification

No Violations Noted

2-2

Showers

105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # 1 and 4
105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # 2
105 CMR 451.130*	Hot Water: Shower water temperature recorded at 92 ⁰ F in shower # 4
105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Caulking moldy in shower # 4
105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Shroud cover loose in shower # 2

Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Cells

105 CMR 451.320*	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in cells, cells double bunked
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2-3

2nd Floor Laundry

No Violations Noted

Operations

No Violations Noted

Showers

105 CMR 451.130*	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, shower # 4 and 5
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Bathroom

105 CMR 451.130

Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, toilet out-of-order in stall # 2

Cells

105 CMR 451.320*

Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in cells, cells double bunked

105 CMR 451.353*

Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged near bed in cell # 235

2-4

Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Cells

105 CMR 451.320*

Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all cells, cells double bunked

105 CMR 451.353*

Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged near top bunk in cell # 250

DUMPSTER AREA

105 CMR 451.370*

Garbage Storage: Outside dumpster missing a dumpster plug

105 CMR 451.370

Garbage Storage: Outside dumpster side door left open

GYM

No Violations Noted

CLASSROOMS/STORAGE

No Violations Noted

Observations and Recommendations

1. The inmate population was 109 at the time of inspection.

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 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 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 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,



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