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April 28, 2014

Michael J. Ashe, Jr., Sheriff
Hampden County Sheriff's Department
626 Randall Road
Ludlow, MA 01056

Re: Facility Inspection – Western Mass Correctional Alcohol Center, Springfield

Dear Sheriff Ashe:

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 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 Western Mass Correctional Alcohol Center on April 7, 2014 accompanied by Officer Jean Alabre. Violations noted during the inspection are listed below:

HEALTH AND SAFETY VIOLATIONS

(* indicates conditions documented on previous inspection reports)

BASEMENT

Buffer Room

No Violations Noted

Hallway

No Violations Noted

Food Storage

FC 4-903.11(B)(1)

Protection of Clean Items, Storing: Styrofoam plates not stored in the inverted position

Chemical Storage

No Violations Noted

Weight Room

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Arm curl machine padding damaged

Male Bathroom # 009

No Violations Noted

Male Bathroom # 023

105 CMR 451.126

Hot Water: Hot water temperature 99°F

Female Bathroom # 021

No Violations Noted

Records

No Violations Noted

Laundry

No Violations Noted

Staff Dining

No Violations Noted

Library

No Violations Noted

Urinalysis Room

No Violations Noted

Barber Shop

No Violations Noted

FIRST FLOOR

Lobby

No Violations Noted

Kitchen

No Violations Noted

Dining

No Violations Noted

Women's Unit # 5

Cells

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Chair seat damaged in cell # 148

105 CMR 451.103

Mattresses: Mattress damaged in cell # 148

Showers

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Sink # 3 on left drains slow

Laundry

No Violations Noted

Medical

Unable to Inspect -- No access

SECOND FLOOR

Unit # 1

Day Room

No Violations Noted

Hallway

No Violations Noted

Showers

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Mop stored in bucket

Cells

105 CMR 451.102

Pillows and Linens: Pillow damaged in cell # 202 and 204

Day Room # 216

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Table leg damaged

Day Room # 220

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Seven chairs damaged

Unit # 2

Day Room

No Violations Noted

Hallway

No Violations Noted

Showers

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Mop stored in bucket

Cells

105 CMR 451.102

Pillows and Linens: Linens damaged in cell # 244

105 CMR 451.102

Pillows and Linens: Pillow damaged in cell # 234

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Door damaged in cell # 231

THIRD FLOOR

Day Room

No Violations Noted

Hallway

No Violations Noted

Showers

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Mop stored in bucket

Cells

105 CMR 451.102

Pillows and Linens: Linens damaged in cell # 329

105 CMR 451.102

Pillows and Linens: Two pillows damaged in cell # 342

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Blocked air vent in cell # 346

No Violations Noted

FOUNDATION HOUSE

Cells

105 CMR 451.102

Pillows and Linens: Linens damaged in cell # 341

Handicap Shower

105 CMR 451.126

Hot Water: Hot water temperature 119°F

KITCHEN

No Violations Noted

Laundry

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Mop stored on floor

Observations and Recommendations

1. The inmate population was 176 at the time of inspection.

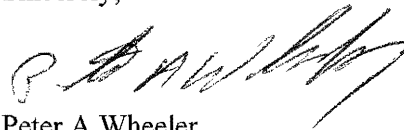
This facility does not comply with the Department's Regulations cited above. In accordance with 105 CMR 451.404, please indicate next to each entry on the inspection report a plan of correction. Said plan of correction must be submitted within ten working days of receiving this report and should detail 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 "Correctional Facilities" (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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