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November 21, 2016

Thomas M. Hodgson, Sheriff

Bristol County Sheriff’s Office

Bristol County Jail and House of Correction

400 Faunce Corner Road

North Dartmouth, MA 02747

Re: Facility Inspection – Bristol County Jail and House of Correction, North Dartmouth

Dear Sheriff Hodgson:

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; 105 CMR 520.000 Labeling; 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 Bristol County Jail and House of Correction on November 8 and 9, 2016 accompanied by   
Lieutenant Andrew Mitzan, EHSO. Violations noted during the inspection are listed below including 78 repeat violations:

**HEALTH AND SAFETY VIOLATIONS**

(*\* indicates conditions documented on previous inspection reports*)

**Entrance**

*Administration Area*

No Violations Noted

*Lobby*

No Violations Noted

*Male Bathroom*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Floor dirty

105 CMR 451.130 Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, inadequate hot water pressure at   
sink # 1

*Female Bathroom*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Ceiling leaking

*Male Shower Room*

No Violations Noted

*Female Shower Room*

No Violations Noted

**Units**

**EC Unit**

*Main Area*

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged outside showers

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged in main area

*Officer’s Room*

No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet – 2nd Floor*

No Violations Noted

*Shower – 2nd Floor*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Shower dirty

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Debris in shower

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower

*Janitor’s Closet – 1st Floor*

No Violations Noted

*Shower – 1st Floor*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Shower dirty

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Debris in shower

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower

*Handicap Shower*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Floor dirty

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Safety bar rusted

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Seat rusted

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.321\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all cells

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Floor damaged in cell # G2, G3, G5, G6, G7, G8, and M6

**EE Unit**

*Main Area*

No Violations Noted

*Showers – 2nd Floor*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 2

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling vent rusted in shower # 1 and 2

*Janitor’s Closet – 1st Floor*

No Violations Noted

*Showers – 1st Floor*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 1

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Mold on ceiling in cell # G5 and M10

105 CMR 451.140 Adequate Ventilation: Inadequate ventilation, wall vent blocked in cell # G6 and M12

**ED Unit**

*Main Area*

No Violations Noted

*Computer Room*

No Violations Noted

*Showers – 2nd Floor*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty in shower # 2

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty in shower # 1

*Janitor’s Closet – 1st Floor*

No Violations Noted

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.321\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all cells

**EB Unit – Female**

*Main Area*

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Floor covering damaged

*Bathroom – 2nd Floor*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Wall paint peeling in toilet stall # 2

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Showers – 2nd Floor*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty in shower # 1 and 2

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Mold on ceiling in shower # 1 and 2

*Bathroom – 1st Floor*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Wall paint peeling in stall # 1

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Floor covering damaged

*Showers – 1st Floor*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Shower out-of-order, clogged

*Janitor’s Closet – 1st Floor*

No Violations Noted

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.321\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all cells

**EA Unit – Female**

*Control*

No Violations Noted

*Main Area*

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Floor covering damaged

*Caseworker’s Office*

No Violations Noted

*Nurse’s Office*

No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet – 1st Floor*

No Violations Noted

*Shower – 1st Floor*

No Violations Noted

*Showers – 2nd Floor*

No Violations Noted

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.321\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all cells

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Floor surface damaged in cell # G2 and G3

**FB Unit**

*Control*

No Violations Noted

*Main Area*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Floor covering damaged

*Medical Room*

No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet – 2nd Floor*

No Violations Noted

*Showers – 2nd Floor*

105 CMR 451.130 Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, shower # FM-B19 leaking

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # FM-B19 and FM-B20

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # FM-B21

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # FM-B18, FM-B19, and FM-B21

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Door rusted in shower # FM-B21

*Showers – 1st Floor*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Floor damaged outside showers

105 CMR 451.130\* Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, shower # FG-B18 leaking

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Interior side of door, paint peeling in shower # FG-B21 and FG-B22

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Mold on ceiling outside shower # FG-B18

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # FG-B21 and FG-B22

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.321\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all cells

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Floor damaged in cell # G4, G9, G10, G13, G14, G16, and M10

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Floor damaged in cell # G5, G6, M14, and M16

**FA Unit**

*Control*

No Violations Noted

*Main Area*

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Floor surface damaged

*Showers – 2nd Floor*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged outside showers

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty in shower # FM-A21

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Door rusted in shower # FM-A21

*Janitor’s Closet – 1st Floor*

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored on the floor

*Storage Closet – 1st Floor*

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Ceiling paint peeling

*Showers – 1st Floor*

105 CMR 451.130 Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, shower # FG-A21 leaking

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.321\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all cells

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged in cell # G6, M1, M4, M8, M12, M15, and handicap cell

**Courtyard Units**

**HA Unit**

*Main Area*

No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom*

No Violations Noted

*Showers – 2nd Floor*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # HM-A26 and HM-A27

*Janitor’s Closet – 1st Floor*

No Violations Noted

*Handicap Shower*

No Violations Noted

*Showers – 1st Floor*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # HG-A22

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.321\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all cells

**HB Unit**

*Main Area*

No Violations Noted

*Storage*

No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom*

No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet – 2nd Floor*

No Violations Noted

*Showers – 2nd Floor*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Mold on ceiling outside shower # HM-B26

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Mold on ceiling outside shower # HM-B27

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Floor dirty in shower # HM-B23, HM-B26, and HM-B27

*Janitor’s Closet – 1st Floor*

No Violations Noted

*Handicap Shower*

No Violations Noted

*Showers – 1st Floor*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Mold on ceiling outside shower # HG-B22 and HG-B23

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Mold on ceiling outside shower # HG-B26

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.321\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all cells

**GA Unit**

*Main Area*

No Violations Noted

*Handicap Shower*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Floor dirty

*Janitor’s Closet (near handicap cell)*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket

*Bathroom – 2nd Floor*

105 CMR 451.110(A) Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: No soap at handwash sinks

*Showers – 2nd Floor*

105 CMR 451.130 Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, shower # GM-A28 and   
GM-A31 leaking

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Mold on ceiling in shower # GM-A28

*Bathroom – 1st Floor*

105 CMR 451.110(A)\* Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: No soap at handwash sinks

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Sink # 1 out-of-order

*Showers – 1st Floor*

105 CMR 451.130 Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, shower # GG-A27 leaking

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.321\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all cells

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Light shield missing in cell # G4, G9, G15, M7, and M13

**GB Unit**

*Handicap Shower*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Walls dirty

*Janitor’s Closet*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Light out

*Bathroom – 2nd Floor*

105 CMR 451.110(A)\* Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: No soap at handwash sink

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Wall paint peeling

*Showers – 2nd Floor*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Mold on ceiling in shower # GM-B27 and GM-B28

*Bathroom – 1st Floor*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Wall paint peeling

*Showers – 1st Floor*

Unable to Inspect – In Use

*Janitor’s Closet*

No Violations Noted

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.321\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in all cells

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Light shield broken in cell # M9

**GC Unit – Former Gym**

*Main Area*

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Floor damaged in several areas

*Bathroom*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Two sinks out-of-order in shower area

*Showers*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Mold on ceiling above showers

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Ceiling paint peeling in shower area

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in all showers

*Janitor’s Closet*

No Violations Noted

*Sleeping Area*

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

105 CMR 451.102 Pillows and Linens: Pillows missing

**Inside Area**

*Rotunda*

No Violations Noted

*Barber Shop*

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tiles missing

*Laundry*

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Folding table surface damaged

*Inmate Bathroom # 1*

No Violations Noted

*Inmate Bathroom # 2*

No Violations Noted

*Medical Administration Room*

No Violations Noted

*Male Bathroom # B1-44*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Noxious odor

*Female Bathroom # B1-45*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Disciplinary Room*

No Violations Noted

*Trash Room*

No Violations Noted

*Receiving Yard*

No Violations Noted

*Male Bathroom # B1-16*

No Violations Noted

*Male Bathroom # B1-17*

No Violations Noted

*Maintenance Shop*

105 CMR 451.200 Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with   
105 CMR 590.000, refrigerator door does not close properly

*Old Print Shop - Offices*

No Violations Noted

*Wood Shop*

No Violations Noted

*Cart Storage Room*  
 No Violations Noted

*Welding Shop*

No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # B1-9*

No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # B1-10*

No Violations Noted

*Property Room*

No Violations Noted

*Civilian Visiting Rooms*

No Violations Noted

*Non-Contact Visiting Room*

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Walls dirty under phone stations

*Inmate Bathroom*

No Violations Noted

**HSU**

*Staff Bathroom*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Inmate Bathroom # BLI-17*

No Violations Noted

*Offices*

105 CMR 451.200\* Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food preparation not in compliance with   
105 CMR 590.000, interior of microwave oven dirty

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged outside offices

*Trauma Room*

No Violations Noted

*Dental Area*

105 CMR 451.130\* Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, sink leaking

*Eye Exam Room*

No Violations Noted

*Lab*

No Violations Noted

*Exam Room # 1*

No Violations Noted

*Exam Room # 2*

No Violations Noted

*Control Area*

No Violations Noted

*Nurse’s Station*

No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Noxious odor

*Single Cells*

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Floor surface damaged in cell # 2

*Staff Bathroom # 2*

No Violations Noted

*Inmate Bathroom # BLI-28*

No Violations Noted

*Biohazard Closet*

No Violations Noted

*Inmate Shower*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Floor dirty

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Ward A*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Ceiling dirty

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Ward B*

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

**Dispatch/Receiving**

*Property*

No Violations Noted

*Sally Port*

No Violations Noted

*Female Staff Bathroom # ALI-45*

No Violations Noted

*Male Staff Bathroom # ALI-44*

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Ceiling damaged, paint peeling

*Janitor’s Closet*

No Violations Noted

*Intake Office*

No Violations Noted

*Medical Offices*

No Violations Noted

*Male Cells*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Ceiling dirty in all cells

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Floor surface damaged in all cells

*Female Cells*

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Ceiling dirty in cell # 1

*Inmate Bathroom*

No Violations Noted

**Sector D**

*Muster Room*

No Violations Noted

*Chapel*

No Violations Noted

*Classrooms*

No Violations Noted

*Classification*

No Violations Noted

*Inmate Bathroom # 1*

No Violations Noted

*Inmate Bathroom # 2*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Floor covering damaged around drain

*Male Staff Bathroom*

No Violations Noted

*Female Staff Bathroom*

No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet*

No Violations Noted

**Food Service**

**Kitchen**

*3-Bay Sink*

No Violations Noted

*Handwash Sink (near 3-bay sink)*

No Violations Noted

*Kettle Area*

No Violations Noted

*Inmate Dining*

No Violations Noted

*Dry Food Storage*

No Violations Noted

*Dishwashing Machine Area*

FC 5-202.13 Plumbing System, Design: Air gap between (inlet) pipe and flood rim, sink sprayer hose hangs below flood rim line

*Handwash Sink (near dishwashing machine)*

FC 5-205.15(B) Plumbing System, Operations and Maintenance: Plumbing system not maintained in good repair, sink leaking

*Cooler # 1*

No Violations Noted

*Cooler # 2*

No Violations Noted

*Freezer # 1*

No Violations Noted

**Observations and Recommendations**

1. The inmate population was 578 at the time of inspection.
2. During the inspection, the Department recommended that all showers and cells be identified with a numbering system. This will assist the Department and correctional employees to better recognize where issues exist.

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 please visit the Food Protection website at [www.mass.gov/dph/fpp](http://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](http://www.cfsan.fda.gov/~dms/fc99-toc.html)”.

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 Regulations”. Then under “General Food Regulations” click “105 CMR 520.000: Labeling.”

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

Sincerely,

Nicholas Gale

Environmental Health Inspector, CSP, BEH

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