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January 18, 2017

Nicholas Cocchi, Sheriff

Western MA Women’s Correctional Center

701 Center Street

Chicopee, MA 01013

Re: Facility Inspection - Western MA Women’s Correctional Center, Chicopee

Dear Sheriff Cocchi:

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 Western MA Women’s Correctional Center on January 13, 2017 accompanied by

Lieutenant Thomas Kalil, EHSO. Violations noted during the inspection are listed below including 0 repeat violations:

**HEALTH AND SAFETY VIOLATIONS**

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

**LOBBY**

*Male Bathroom # AA-112*

 No Violations Noted

*Female Bathroom # AA-113*

 No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet # AA-114*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket

*Female Locker Room # AA-119*

105 CMR 451.126 Hot Water: Hot water temperature recorded at 1020F at handwash sink # 2

*Male Locker Room # AA-118*

 No Violations Noted

**ADMINISTRATION AREA**

*Break Room # AA-147*

 No Violations Noted

*Female Staff Bathroom*

 No Violations Noted

*Male Staff Bathroom*

 No Violations Noted

*Officer’s Cubicles*

 No Violations Noted

**CENTRAL CONTROL**

 No Violations Noted

*Bathroom*

105 CMR 451.126 Hot Water: Hot water temperature recorded at 1040F at handwash sink

*Janitor’s Closet*

 No Violations Noted

*Training/Muster Room # AA-214*

 No Violations Noted

**VISITING AREA**

 No Violations Noted

*Bathroom # AA-267*

 No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet # AA-252*

 No Violations Noted

*Inmate Bathroom # AA-255*

 No Violations Noted

*Storage # AA-258*

 No Violations Noted

*Kitchenette # AA-261*

 No Violations Noted

**INTAKE**

 No Violations Noted

*Search Room # AA-250*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Parole Office # AA-232*

 No Violations Noted

*Inmate Property # AA-248*

 No Violations Noted

*Urinalysis Room # AA-234*

 No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet # AA-235*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # AA-238*

 No Violations Noted

*Cells # 1-3*

 No Violations Noted

*Inmate Bathroom # AA-239*

 No Violations Noted

*Break Room # AA-273*

 No Violations Noted

*Inmate Waiting*

 No Violations Noted

**LAUNDRY**

 No Violations Noted

**SUPPORT SERVICES**

*Central Storage*

 No Violations Noted

*Inmate Bathroom # AA-127*

 No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet # AA-128*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # AA-129*

 No Violations Noted

*Break Room # AA-131*

 No Violations Noted

*Maintenance Shop*

 No Violations Noted

**Security Management**

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # AA-227*

 No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet # AA-218*

 No Violations Noted

**KITCHEN**

*Supervisor’s Office*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # AB-224*

 No Violations Noted

*Inmate Bathroom # AB-223*

 No Violations Noted

*Secured Storage*

 No Violations Noted

*Dry Storage*

 No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet # AB-220*

 No Violations Noted

*Freezer*

 No Violations Noted

*Meat Refrigerator*

 No Violations Noted

*Dairy/Produce Refrigerator*

 No Violations Noted

*3-Bay Sink*

 No Violations Noted

*Ice Machine*

 No Violations Noted

*Dishwashing Area*

 No Violations Noted

*Culinary Kitchen*

 No Violations Noted

*Serving Line*

 No Violations Noted

*Inmate Dining Area*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Dining Area*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # AB-209*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # AB-210*

 No Violations Noted

*Receiving # AB-212*

 No Violations Noted

*Waste Hold Room # AB-211*

 No Violations Noted

*Dumpster Area*

 No Violations Noted

**MEDICAL**

*Medical Storage # AA-321*

 No Violations Noted

*Dental Operations # AA-235*

 No Violations Noted

*Dental Office # AA-236*

 No Violations Noted

*Inmate Bathroom # AA-332*

 No Violations Noted

*Lab # AA-333*

 No Violations Noted

*Optometry Office # AA-334*

 No Violations Noted

*Tub/Pumping Room # AA-335*

 No Violations Noted

*Dental Office # AA-345*

 No Violations Noted

*OB/GYN Office # AA-336*

 No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet # AA-337*

 No Violations Noted

*Vaccine Room # AA-338*

 No Violations Noted

*Clinical Treatment Room # AA-339*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # AA-348*

 No Violations Noted

*Medical Break Room # AA-349*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # AA-350*

 No Violations Noted

*Exam Rooms*

 No Violations Noted

*Medical Waste Room # AA-341*

 No Violations Noted

**PRISON INDUSTRY**

*Inmate Bathroom # AB-349*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # AB-350*

 No Violations Noted

*Beauty Salon # AB-353*

 No Violations Noted

*Storage Room # AB-354*

 Unable to Inspect - Locked

**PROGRAMS**

*Class Room # AA-308*

 No Violations Noted

*Inmate Bathroom # AB-309*

 No Violations Noted

*Storage Room # AB-311*

 No Violations Noted

*Inmate Bathroom # AB-320*

 No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet # AB-321*

 No Violations Noted

*Library # AB-323*

 No Violations Noted

*Storage Room # AB-325*

 No Violations Noted

*Classrooms*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # AB-340*

 No Violations Noted

*Break Room # AB-341*

 No Violations Noted

**Fitness Room # AB-316**

 No Violations Noted

*Inmate Bathroom # AB-317*

 No Violations Noted

*Storage Closet # AB-318*

 No Violations Noted

**MINIMUMN A**

*Showers # HMA-116*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

105 CMR 451.126 Hot Water: Hot water temperature recorded at 1230F in shower #3

105 CMR 451.126 Hot Water: Hot water temperature recorded at 1350F at handwash sink

*Inmate Bathroom # HMA-117*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Laundry Room # HMA-119*

105 CMR 451.126 Hot Water: Hot water temperature recorded at 1360F at handwash sink

*Staff Bathroom # HMA-120*

 No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet # HMA-124*

 No Violations Noted

*Inmate Handicapped Bathroom # HMA-125*

 No Violations Noted

*Cells*

 No Violations Noted

**MINIMUMN B**

*Recreation Deck*

 No Violations Noted

*Day Room*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Floor damaged near vending machine

*Showers # HMA-216*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

105 CMR 451.126 Hot Water: Hot water temperature recorded at 1320F

*Inmate Bathroom # HMA-217*

 No Violations Noted

*Laundry # HMA-219*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # HMA-220*

 No Violations Noted

*Storage Room # HMA-223*

 No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet # HMA-224*

 No Violations Noted

*Inmate Handicapped Bathroom # HMA-225*

 No Violations Noted

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.103 Mattresses: Mattress damaged in cell # 21

**UNIT 1 ADMINISTRATION**

*Inmate Bathroom # HO-104*

 No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet # HO-105*

 No Violations Noted

*Pre-Trial Office # HO-107*

 No Violations Noted

*Triage # HO-111*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # HO-113*

 No Violations Noted

**UNIT 1A**

*Sub-Day Room # HOB-113A*

105 CMR 451.140 Adequate Ventilation: Inadequate ventilation, wall vent blocked in cell # 7

*Day Room*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Janitor’s Closet # HOB-116*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Staff Bathroom # HOB-117*

 No Violations Noted

*Storage Room # HOB-116*

 No Violations Noted

*Lower Showers*

 No Violations Noted

*Upper Showers*

 No Violations Noted

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.140 Adequate Ventilation: Inadequate ventilation, wall vent blocked in cell # 4, 5, 6, 17, 18, and 24

**UNIT 1B**

*Sub-Day Room # HOB-113A (Cells # 1-4)*

 No Violations Noted

*Sub-Day Room # HOB-113B (Cells # 5 and 6)*

 No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet # HOB-119*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # HOB-120*

 No Violations Noted

*Storage Room # HOB-121*

 No Violations Noted

*Lower Showers*

 No Violations Noted

*Upper Showers*

 No Violations Noted

*Storage # HOB-216*

 No Violations Noted

*Cells*

 No Violations Noted

**UNIT 2 ADMINISTRATION**

*Janitor’s Closet # HP-103*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Inmate Bathroom # HP-104*

 No Violations Noted

*Triage # HP-105*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # HP-107*

 No Violations Noted

*Conference Room # HP-108*

105 CMR 451.200 Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food preparation not in compliance with

 105 CMR 590.000, interior of microwave oven dirty

*Storage Room # HP-118*

 No Violations Noted

*Offices*

 No Violations Noted

**UNIT 2A**

*Storage Room # HPA-113*

 No Violations Noted

*Sub-Day Room # HPA-113A*

 No Violations Noted

*Laundry Room*

105 CMR 451.126 Hot Water: Hot water temperature recorded at 1030F at handwash sink

*Janitor’s Closet # HPA-115*

 No Violations Noted

*Day Area*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # HPA-116*

105 CMR 451.126 Hot Water: Hot water temperature recorded at 1030F

*Lower Showers*

 No Violations Noted

*Upper Showers*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Mold observed on curtain in shower # 1

*Cells*

 No Violations Noted

*Recreation Deck*

 No Violations Noted

**UNIT 2B**

*Sub-Day Room # HPB-113A*

 No Violations Noted

*Laundry*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # HPB-118*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Janitor’s Closet # HPB-119*

 No Violations Noted

*Day Area*

 No Violations Noted

*Lower Showers*

 No Violations Noted

*Upper Showers*

 Unable to Inspect – In Use

*Cells*

 No Violations Noted

**UNIT 3 ADMINISTRATION**

*Inmate Bathroom # HS-103*

 No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet # HS-107*

 No Violations Noted

*Triage # HS-109*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # HS-110*

 No Violations Noted

*Break Room # HS-119*

 No Violations Noted

**UNIT 3A**

*Multi-Purpose Room # HAS-101C*

 No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet # HAS-103*

 No Violations Noted

*Sub-Day Room # HAS-105*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # HAS-113*

 No Violations Noted

*Laundry*

 No Violations Noted

*Day Area*

105 CMR 451.350 Structural Maintenance: Wall surface cracked near window on upper level

*Lower Showers*

 No Violations Noted

*Upper Showers*

 No Violations Noted

*Storage Room # HAS-202*

 No Violations Noted

*Cells*

 No Violations Noted

*Recreation Deck*

 No Violations Noted

**UNIT 3B**

*Multi-Purpose Room*

 No Violations Noted

*Janitor’s Closet # HSB-103*

 No Violations Noted

*Sub-Day Room # HSB-105*

 No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom # HSB-113*

 No Violations Noted

*Laundry*

 No Violations Noted

*Day Area*

 No Violations Noted

*Lower Showers*

 No Violations Noted

*Upper Showers*

 No Violations Noted

*Storage Room # HSB-202*

 No Violations Noted

*Cells*

 No Violations Noted

*Recreation Deck*

 No Violations Noted

**Observations and Recommendations**

1. The inmate population was 273 at the time of inspection.
2. Standing water was observed outside the upper showers in Unit 3A and B. The Department recommends that inmates towel off inside the shower stalls to limit the amount of standing 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 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,

Scott Koczela

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