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Sheriff Gene Fischer
Greene County Jail
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RE: 2019 Annual Jail Inspection

Dear Sheriff Gene Fischer:

In accordance with Section 5120.10 of the Ohio Revised Code and Executive Order 92-03 of the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, the Greene County Jail, a full service jail, was inspected on 08/20/2019. The inspection was restricted to assessing compliance with a group of standards, selected from the Standards for Jails in Ohio promulgated by the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction. The group of standards being inspected focused on Reception & Release, Classification, Security, Housing, Sanitation and Environmental Conditions, Communication, Visitation, Medical and Mental Health Services, Food Service, Recreation and Programming, Inmate Discipline, Administrative Segregation, Grievance, Staffing, and Staff Training. The inspection consisted of this Inspector receiving and/or reviewing requested documentation and/or materials, touring selected areas of the jail, and having discussions with various jail staff.

The total actual general housing capacity for the Greene County Jail is 146. On the date of the jail inspection, there were 120 inmates incarcerated in the Greene County Jail. The Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction recommended housing capacity for the jail is 95, which is based upon total available living space and other requirements. Officials should maintain prisoner counts within the Department's recommended capacity figure .

The Greene County Jail (Full Service Jail) is in compliance with 106 standards, 49 "Essential", and 57 "Important".

5120:1-8-01 (A)(1); -01 (A)(3); -01 (A)(4); -01 (A)(7); -01 (A)(9); -01 (A)(12); -02 (B)(1); -02 (B)(2); -02 (B)(4); -02 (D); -03 (A)(1); -03 (A)(3); -03 (A)(4); -03 (A)(5); -03 (A)(6); -03 (A)(7); -03 (B)(2); -03 (B)(4); -03 (B)(5); -03 (B)(6); -03 (B)(7); -03 (B)(8); -03 (B)(9); -03 (B)(10)(a); -03 (B)(10)(b); -03 (B)(10)(c); -03 (B)(10)(d); -03 (B)(11)(b); -03 (B)(11)(c); -03 (B)(12); -03 (B)(15); -03 (B)(16); -03 (B)(17); -04 (D); -04 (E); -04 (F); -04 (H); -04 (J); -04 (K); -05 (A); -05 (B); -05 (C); -05 (G)(1); -05 (G)(2); -05 (I); -05 (J); -05 (K); -05 (N); -05 (O); -05 (P); -05 (Q); -06 (B); -06 (C); -06 (G); -07 (A); -07 (D); -07 (E); -07 (H); -07 (I); -09 (A); -09 (B); -09 (C); -09 (E); -09 (F); -09 (G); -09 (H); -09 (J); -09 (K); -09 (M); -09 (N); -09 (P); -09 (Q); -09 (R); -09 (U); -09 (V); -09 (W); -09 (X); -10 (A); -10 (B); -10 (C); -10 (D); -10 (E); -10 (F); -10 (G)(1); -10 (G)(2); -11 (A); -11 (B); -11 (E); -12 (B); -12 (C); -12 (F); -12 (G); -12 (H); -15 (B); -15 (D); -15 (E); -16 (A); -17 (D); -17 (E); -17 (F); -17 (G); -18 (A); -18 (B); -18 (C); -18 (D); -18 (E);

The Greene County Jail did not comply with 9 standards, 4 "Essential", and 5 "Important". This letter is intended to serve as a basis for developing plans of action for bringing the facility into compliance with the deficiencies noted during the inspection.

5120:1-8-04 (A) (4) Full service jails shall provide inmates with sufficient space. The jail shall maintain documentation regarding square footage and maximum occupancy figures for all housing and holding areas, and shall comply with the following minimum requirements: Day space: (Important) Thirty-five square feet per number of occupants occupying the day space at one time. Minimum size of one hundred five square feet.

Comments: On the day of the inspection the jail was over the BRC. Jail officials should work to keep inmate numbers within the BRC.

5120:1-8-04 (B) (Important) Seating shall be provided in holding areas, holding cells, housing cells, dormitories, dayrooms and eating areas for each inmate.

Comments: On the day of the inspection seating was not provided to inmates in holding cells. Jail officials should maintain adequate seating for all inmates.

5120:1-8-04 (C) (Important) Single cells/rooms and multiple occupancy cells/rooms/dormitories shall have an air circulation of fifteen cubic feet of outside or recirculated filtered air per minute per occupant or as required by the local authority having jurisdiction. Documentation from a qualified source shall be maintained by the jail.

Comments: On the day of the inspection no documentation was provided that 15 cubic feet of outside recirculated filtered air per occupant is being provided. Jail officials should have the ventilation system inspected and supply documentation supplying 15 cubic feet of outside recirculated filtered air per occupant.

5120:1-8-04 (G) (Important) Shower facilities at a minimum of one operable shower for every twelve occupants. Water temperatures shall be controlled thermostatically in a range from one hundred five to one hundred twenty degrees Fahrenheit.

Comments: On the day of the inspection the jail was over the BRC and put some housing units over the 1/12 ratio for showers to occupants. Jail officials should work to maintain jail population within the BRC.

5120:1-8-05 (E) (Essential) The jail shall be inspected annually by local or state health authorities and a written report shall be provided. There shall be a written plan to correct jail-related deficiencies.

Comments: On the day of the inspection the health inspection provided was over a year old (5/2/2018). Jail officials should have an annual health inspection, provide and download a current copy.

5120:1-8-05 (H) The jail shall maintain documentation that the following standards are met with regard to bedding, linens and clothing: (3) (Important) Issued clothing shall be exchanged or laundered twice weekly. Arrangements are made to exchange or launder personal clothing and undergarments twice weekly;

Comments: On the day of the inspection policy stated that personal laundry will be done at least weekly. Furthermore documentation provided showing laundry schedule shows whites only being done once a week. Jail officials need to update policy to meet the standard.

5120:1-8-05 (L) (Essential) The jail shall be inspected annually by a certified local or state fire safety inspector applying the applicable jurisdictional and Ohio Fire Code. The jail shall have a written plan to correct any jail-related deficiencies. The jail shall maintain documentation of the inspections and any corrective measures taken.

Comments: On the day of the inspection the fire inspection provided was over a year old (8/16/18). Jail officials need to have an annual inspection, provide and upload a current fire inspection.

5120:1-8-05 (M) (Essential) The jail shall have a written fire safety plan approved by local fire officials, and that is reviewed annually and updated as needed. The plan shall include fire prevention, training and drills, fire response and post-fire documentation and review. A current copy of the plan shall be maintained at the local fire department.

Comments: On the day of the inspection the policy did not specify what the facility has as related to fire prevention or any language dealing with post-fire documentation/ review. Furthermore noting in policy talks about correcting any deficiencies. Jail officials should update or download more of the policy to meet this standard .

5120:1-8-09 (D) (Essential) Health appraisal. Within fourteen days, a licensed nurse, physician, physician's assistant, EMT or paramedic shall complete a health appraisal to determine the medical and mental health condition for each inmate in custody. Such appraisal shall at least include the following:

- (1) Review of receiving screen.
- (2) Collection of additional data to complete the medical, dental and mental health history.
- (3) Laboratory and/or diagnostic tests to detect tuberculosis and other suspected communicable diseases as designated by the health authority.
- (4) Recording the height, weight, pulse, blood pressure and temperature.
- (5) Medical examination as determined by the examiner.
- (6) Mental health assessment.
- (7) Initiation of therapy when determined necessary by the examiner.
- (8) Development and implementation of a treatment plan.
- (9) Other test and examination as determined by the examiner or health authority.

Comments: On the day of the inspection materials provide does not show that all inmates are given a TB test within 14 days of incarceration. Jail officials must TB test all incoming inmates by the 14th day of incarceration.

Plan of action forms are enclosed. Completed form(s) and/or corrective materials addressing the noted deficiencies must be completed and submitted through the Ohio Jail Management System (OHJMS) at www.OHJMS.Intelligrants.com within 45 days of receipt of this correspondence. Please feel free to contact the Bureau if you need assistance or clarification in this effort. The Bureau remains available to discuss the aspects of this report or to provide reference materials or assistance as desired.

Sincerely,



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