ICE AURORA CONTRACT DETENTION CENTER ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT

Date: 26 August 2019
Day: 26 Month: August Year: 2019

Time: 12:00pm

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Position: Warden

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Name: Dawn Cejas
Position: Warden

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Name: Tracey Cammorto
Position: AFOD

Were you allowed into the facility? YES ☑ NO □

How many people are currently being cohorted/quarantined due to sickness?
Number of people currently cohorted/quarantined due to sickness: 54/1

How many people in this facility have had a case hearing in the past week?
Number of people who have had a case hearing in the past week: n/a
The following questions are based on the Performance-Based National Standards, updated as of 2016.

**HANDBOOK: 2.1 G. 2.**
The English and Spanish ICE National Detainee Handbook (handbook) and local supplement fully describes all policies, procedures and rules in effect at the facility. Were handbooks visibly seen in living areas?

- **Handbook was seen □**
- **Handbook was not seen □**

**FORMAL COUNTS: 2.8 V. A.**
How many people were most recently formally counted in this facility?

- **Number of people most recently formally counted in the facility:** 1283

How many people formally counted in this facility describe themselves as the following gender?

- **Female:** 165
- **Male:** 1118
- **Nonbinary:** N/A
- **Prefer not to say:** N/A

How many people formally counted in this facility describe themselves as transgender?

- **Number of people that describe themselves as transgender:** 3

How many people have been brought into the facility this week?

- **Number of people brought into the facility this week:** 125
  *as of 8/26/19 a.m.*

How many people have left the facility this week?

- **Number of people who left the facility this week:** 96
  *as of 8/26 a.m.*

Of those who left the facility this week, how many were:

- **Released into community:** 
- **Formally removed from the United States:** 
- **Moved to other facility:** 
- **Other ________:** 

How many people are currently being housed in the Annex?

- **Number of people who are being housed in the Annex:** 401
  212 M/119 F

This information must be requested in writing to ICE Headquarters and will be requested for the upcoming visits.
**MENU PLANNING: 4.1.E.**
Show me the kitchen.

*Kitchen Was Shown ✓
Kitchen Was Not Shown □*

What was the menu for the week and when was the last time the registered dietitian certified it?

*Menu and packaged food’s date of certification:*

Menu provided, see attached documents

**FOOD SAFETY AND SANITATION: 4.1.J**
Show me the records of the weekly food service area inspection and the daily food and equipment temperature check.

*Records Were Shown ✓
Records Were Not Shown □*

**MEDICAL CARE: 4.3**
Show me the examination and treatment area.

*Areas Were Shown ✓
Areas Were Not Shown □*

As soon as possible, but no later than 12 hours after arrival, all detainees shall receive, by a health care provider or a specially trained detention officer, an initial medical, dental, and mental health screening and be asked for information regarding any known acute or emergent medical conditions.

What is the number of detainees that received an initial medical, dental, and mental health screening that have arrived in the past week?

*Number of detainees that received an initial health screening: n/a*

Please list the licensure type and number of health care professionals providing medical, dental, or mental health services in this facility in the past week:

No change in staffing from 08/12/2019 Report:
1 Physician, 2 Physician Assistants (1 Vacant), 11 X-Ray Technicians, 1 Health Services Administrator, 1 Assistant Health Services Administrator (Vacant), 1 Medical Administrative Assistant, 4 Medical Records Clerks, 1 Dentist (Currently 2 Part-time Dentists), 1 Dental Assistant, 16 RNs (19 Positions filled), 16 LPNs (4 Vacant).

Missing number of mental health providers.
**WOMEN’S MEDICAL CARE: 4.4**
Preventative services specific to women shall be offered for routine age appropriate screenings, to include breast examinations, pap smear, STD testing and mammograms. These services shall not interfere with detainee’s deportation or release from custody date.

How many women requested qualified preventative services specific to women in the past week?

*Number of women who requested services in the past week:*

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How many women accessed qualified preventative services specific to women in the past week?

*Number of women who received services in the past week:*

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How many pregnant detainees are in this facility today?

*Number of pregnant individuals in the facility:*

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**PERSONAL HYGIENE: 4.5.D**
Were feminine hygiene items visibly stocked in the living areas?

*Feminine hygiene items were visible ✓  Feminine hygiene items were not visible □*

**TELEPHONE ACCESS: 5.6**
Show me where you keep the telephones that detainees use to talk to their families and others in the community, legal representatives, consulates, courts, and government agencies.

*Phones were shown ✓  Phones were not shown □*

Telephones shall be maintained in proper working order. Show me how many phones there are and that they are in working order.

*Number of phones:*

| 12 |

*Visitation phones*

*Phones were in working order ✓  Phones were not in working order □*

Show me the video phone/video relay service area that detainees can use for legal proceeding.

*Area was shown ✓  Area was not shown □*

How many detainees have used the video phone/video relay services for legal proceeding in the past week?

*Number of detainees that used the video services for legal proceedings:*

| unknown |

Version 1.2
Show me the law library.

**LAW LIBRARY WAS SHOWN ✓**  **LAW LIBRARY WAS NOT SHOWN □**

The facility shall make efforts to assist detainees who are illiterate, Limited English Proficient (LEP) and have disabilities in using the law library. Facilities shall establish procedures to meet this requirement, such as:

a. having the facility’s law librarian assist the detainee’s legal research;
b. permitting the detainee to receive assistance from other detainees in using the law library;
c. assisting in contacting pro bono legal assistance organizations from the ICE/ERO provided list; and
d. in the case of detainees with disabilities, providing reasonable accommodations and or auxiliary aids and services identified through the facility’s reasonable accommodation process.

How many people have requested assistance in using resources in the law library in the past week?

*Number of people who requested assistance:*  unknown

How many requests were for detainees who were illiterate, LEP, and have disabilities in the past week?

*Requests for detainees who were illiterate:*  unknown

*Requests for detainees who with a limited English proficiency:*  unknown

*Requests for detainees who have disabilities:*  unknown

What was the most common method of assistance the past week?

*Most common method of assistance:*  unknown

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES**

- New outbreak confirmed on 8/16 and quarantine/cohort is scheduled to be lifted on 9/11, barring new cases, in Pod C.
- Electronic Medical Record continues to be implemented; pharmacy was first and remainder of medical information will be added starting next week.
- Verified that free legal hotline number is still active - four digit code connects to RMIAN.
- Female hygiene items were visible in female unit in the Annex, did not see female unit POD in main building.
- Detainee conversations:
  - One detainee stated that individuals are always being mistreated. "Always being treated like animals."
  - They aren't getting enough food or cannot eat the food because of the quality.
  - One detainee said he requested medical services weeks ago and has not received a check up.
SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES, CONTINUED:

DACA questions: If someone has an application pending, with no documentation would these individuals end up being detained?
Answer: Yes they could be. It's not a priority, but ex-DACA recipients could be targeted.

Regarding detainee release, GEO/ICE said that they release detainees through the intake room, which is through the back of the building. They allow detainees to remain overnight if interested or direct them outdoors to the front lobby, but do not release detainees through the lobby.

While visiting the kitchen, the emergency eyewash weekly inspection was incomplete, only having been checked once so far in August and a few times in July. It should be checked weekly.

The psychiatrist said that when he is in the office, he sees 8-15 detainees a day. On Mondays, he visits the restrictive housing/segregation unit to check on every detainee there. Finally, he mentioned that the most common mental health challenge is trauma, followed by anxiety due to being separated from their family. He also said that he is not involved in deescalation issues before the detainee is brought into his office to be evaluated.

The warden confirmed that during daily medicine visits to the dormitories, the RN does not have authority to give out basic pain medication like ibuprofen because detainees may be allergic.