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Inspection Date: March 24, 2015

Subsequent Visit Dates: July 1, 2015 and August 4, 2015

Technical Assistance Date: October 23, 2015

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INTRODUCTION

Due to new Indiana Juvenile Detention Standards being promulgated with the intent to implement in 2016, the Facility Inspection will consist of a review of only the 26 mandatory compliance standards. Compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards is required to attain “Full Compliance” in accordance with the aforementioned code. The Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services provided five (5) Training Sessions and technical assistance to assist facilities coming into compliance with the new standards.

Therefore, the 19th annual evaluation of the Bartholomew County Youth Services Center had three components: inspection for compliance with the 26 mandatory standards located in 210 IAC 6; participation in trainings on the new detention center standards to take effect in 2016; and participation in technical assistance offerings for compliance with the new detention center standards.

FACILITY INFORMATION

Facility county	Bartholomew
Governing authority	Bartholomew Circuit Court
Name of facility administrator	Anita Biehle
Detention facility’s mission	Our mission is to respond to the community’s needs with a continuum of care, programming, services, and advocacy for minors under the jurisdiction of the Court in settings

	that are safe for both the community and youth. We will treat each youth with respect and dignity, holding them to appropriate behavioral expectations through a system of rewards, and consequences that are applied in a fair, firm, and consistent manner which is conducive to their personal growth and development.
Rated capacity	18
Population on date of audit	2
Average daily population for the last 12 months	6
Average length of stay for the last 12 months	10 days
Year the building was built	1965
Minor upgrades since last audit (i.e. painting, flooring, bedding, furnishings)	None
Major upgrades since last audit (i.e. plumbing, electrical, security system)	None
De-escalation techniques training	Mandt System
Physical force techniques training	Mandt System
Chemical agents permitted	No
Name of food service provider	Youth Services Center
Name of food service supervisor	Logan Freck
Name of health care authority individual or agency and license/certification	Tammy Brown, LPN
Name of mental health care authority individual or agency and license/certification	Columbus Regional Hospital

INSPECTION FOR COMPLIANCE WITH 26 MANDATORY STANDARDS

Auditors	Chance Sweat and Laurie Elliott
File Review of the 26 mandatory standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zero (0) standards were identified as non-applicable, and zero (0) mandatory standards were found to be non-compliant. • Bartholomew County Youth Services Center was in compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards.
Facility Tour	The Center was clean, well-maintained and offered a safe and positive environment.
Youth Interviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two male youth were interviewed about their experiences at the Center. • Both youth reported feeling safe, knowing how to report abuse, and receiving plenty of food to eat. • One youth reported not knowing how to contact his attorney. • Youth comments were shared with facility administrators.

Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove documentation from prior audits from the standards files. • Highlight and bullet point relevant information in policy, procedure, and proof of practice documents to show compliance with standard requirements. • Include documentation to provide proof of practice pertaining to quarterly meetings with the Health Care Authority regarding the provision of health care services.
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SUBSEQUENT ANNOUNCED AND/OR UNANNOUNCED VISIT(S)

On July 1, 2015, a subsequent visit of the Bartholomew County Youth Services Center was conducted by Chance Sweat. A facility tour was conducted by Director Biehle. Youth were observed participating in the education program. The facility’s population count was seven. Youth appeared to be in good health, and the sleeping rooms, dayroom and shower areas were clean and well maintained.

On 8/04/2015, a second subsequent visit of the Bartholomew County Youth Services Center was conducted by Chance Sweat. A facility tour was conducted by Director Biehle. Youth were observed participating in the education program. The facility population count is was six. All areas of the facility appeared to be well maintained, and sanitation levels in the facility were found to be satisfactory.

PARTICIPATION IN NEW DETENTION CENTER STANDARDS TRAINING

<u>Introduction to the new standards</u> <u>Preparing for an Inspection</u> <u>Administration and Management Standards</u> January 13th and 14th, 2015	Anita Biehle, Facility Director Jason Hatcher, Intake Officer
<u>Safety Standards</u> <u>Security Standards</u> March 10, 2015	Anita Biehle, Facility Director Jason Hatcher, Intake Officer Justin Lynette, Intake Officer Alyson Bishop, Detention Youth Care Worker
<u>Programs and Services Standards</u> <u>Education Standards</u> June 2, 2015	Anita Biehle, Facility Director Jason Hatcher, Intake Officer Shawn Carlton, Educator Cathy Vawter, Intake Officer
<u>Medical Standards</u> <u>Mental Health Care Standards</u> July 21, 2015	Anita Biehle, Facility Director Beth Mass, Counselor Tammy Brown, Nurse
<u>Food Service and Hygiene Standards</u> <u>Justice and Order Standards</u> September 29, 2015	Cathy Vawter

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The Bartholomew County Youth Services Center's technical assistance visit occurred on October 23, 2015 and was conducted by Chance Sweat and Laurie Elliott. The facility was asked to prepare 10 standard files for review. The technical assistance provided included reviewing the 11 files presented, discussing the need for policy to reflect the language in the standard, and addressing the facility's plan to meet the education, medical, and mental health standards. Future technical assistance will be offered in 2016, or as requested by the facility.

CONCLUSION

Bartholomew County Youth Services Center is in full compliance with the 2015 Indiana Detention Center Standards Audit performed by the Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services.

A certificate of compliance will accompany this report, which becomes public information ten (10) days from the date of mailing.

Please contact me at (317) 607-6507 should you have any questions concerning this report.

Respectfully submitted,

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