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Inspection Date: May 19, 2015

Subsequent Visit Date: August 25, 2015

Technical Assistance Date: September 17, 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 18th annual evaluation of the Youth Care 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	Vanderburgh
Governing authority	Evansville Rescue Mission, Inc.
Name of facility administrator	Marcus Head
Detention facility’s mission	Within the philosophical context described in our statement of philosophy, the purpose and mission of the Youth Care Center is: A. To provide the highest quality of treatment and

	<p>individual care to children who are in trouble with the law and to children in need of services.</p> <p>B. To always be family-inclusive in our approach to helping children and to look beyond our current function to see what needs we might address through program diversification or expansion of our program, facilities and staff.</p> <p>C. To include community experts and/or services in our attempt to resolve bio/psycho/socio/spiritual/medical needs of our high-risk youth whenever possible.</p>
Rated capacity	40
Population on date of audit	25
Average daily population for the last 12 months	16.69 for boys/3.6 for girls
Average length of stay for the last 12 months	23.12 days for boys/12.34 days for girls
Year the building was built	1989
Minor upgrades since last audit (i.e. painting, flooring, bedding, furnishings)	Painting in residents rooms as needed to cover scratches, etc. Nurse exam room was added in March 2015.
Major upgrades since last audit (i.e. plumbing, electrical, security system)	None
De-escalation techniques training	Non-violent Physical Crisis Intervention
Physical force techniques training	Non-violent Physical Crisis Intervention
Chemical agents permitted	No
Name of food service provider	Farm Boy/CRS One
Name of food service supervisor	Chris Carrier
Name of health care authority individual or agency and license/certification	Richard Probert, Physician
Name of mental health care authority individual or agency and license/certification	David Westfall, Mental Health Counselor

INSPECTION FOR COMPLIANCE WITH 26 MANDATORY STANDARDS

Auditors	Chance Sweat and Kristin Herrmann
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. • Youth Care Center was in compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards.
Facility Tour	The Center was clean, organized, and well maintained.
Youth Interviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four youth (two males and two females) were interviewed about their experiences at the Center. • All youth reported, without hesitation, that they felt safe at the facility. • Youth did not share complaints or recommend changes.

Recommendations	None
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SUBSEQUENT ANNOUNCED AND/OR UNANNOUNCED VISIT(S)

On 8/25/2015, a subsequent visit was conducted of the Youth Care Center by Chance Sweat. Director Head and Mrs. Risner, Compliance Manager, had plenty of questions and advised they were working on the new standards. The facility tour was conducted by Director Head. Youth were observed participating in education classes. The facility's population count was 14. All youth appeared to be in good health. All areas of the facility appeared to be well-maintained, and sanitation was found to be satisfactory. The food service and medical departments were well-maintained and organized.

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	Marcus Head, Facility Director Angela Smith, Administrative Assistant Rian Kisner, Compliance Officer
<u>Safety Standards</u> <u>Security Standards</u> March 10, 2015	Rian Kisner, Compliance Officer
<u>Programs and Services Standards</u> <u>Education Standards</u> June 2, 2015	Marcus Head, Facility Director Angela Smith, Administrative Assistant
<u>Medical Standards</u> <u>Mental Health Care Standards</u> July 21, 2015	Marcus Head, Facility Director Angela Smith, Administrative Assistant Rian Kisner, Compliance Officer
<u>Food Service and Hygiene Standards</u> <u>Justice and Order Standards</u> September 29, 2015	Marcus Head, Facility Director Angela Smith, Administrative Assistant Rian Kisner, Compliance Officer

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The Youth Care Center's technical assistance visit occurred on September 17, 2015 and was conducted by Chance Sweat and Kristin Herrmann. The facility was asked to prepare 10 standard files for review. The technical assistance provided included reviewing the 13 files presented, discussing the difference between policy and procedure, 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

Youth Care 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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