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Subsequent Visit Date: September 2, 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 19<sup>th</sup> annual evaluation of the Johnson County Juvenile Detention 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	Johnson
Governing authority	Johnson Circuit Court

<b>Name of facility administrator</b>	Kristi Bruther
<b>Detention facility's mission</b>	To provide a safe, secure and humane detention environment that protects the community while respecting the rights of the individual.
<b>Rated capacity</b>	48
<b>Population on date of audit</b>	18
<b>Average daily population for the last 12 months</b>	11.61
<b>Average length of stay for the last 12 months</b>	9.16
<b>Year the building was built</b>	1991
<b>Minor upgrades since last audit (i.e. painting, flooring, bedding, furnishings)</b>	Painted gymnasium
<b>Major upgrades since last audit (i.e. plumbing, electrical, security system)</b>	None
<b>De-escalation techniques training</b>	Yes
<b>Physical force techniques training</b>	Yes
<b>Chemical agents permitted</b>	No
<b>Name of food service provider</b>	Johnson County Juvenile Detention Center
<b>Name of food service supervisor</b>	Heather Titara
<b>Name of health care authority individual or agency and license/certification</b>	Dr. Bullington, MD
<b>Name of mental health care authority individual or agency and license/certification</b>	Adult and Child Mental Health; Stephanie Hootman, Masters in Counseling

### INSPECTION FOR COMPLIANCE WITH 26 MANDATORY STANDARDS

<b>Auditors</b>	Chance Sweat and Amy Karozos
<b>File Review of the 26 mandatory standards</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zero (0) standards were identified as non-applicable, and zero (0) mandatory standards were found to be non-compliant.</li> <li>• Johnson County Juvenile Detention Center was in compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards.</li> </ul>
<b>Facility Tour</b>	The Center is very well maintained. All areas of the Center were well-kept, clean, orderly and sanitary.
<b>Youth Interviews</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Four youth, two female and two male, all with three or more previous detention stays, were interviewed about their experiences at the Center.</li> <li>• All youth reported, without hesitation, feeling safe at the facility.</li> <li>• Youth confirmed receiving three meals a day but stated they did not receive enough food to meet their needs.</li> <li>• Two youth reported having foot pain due to the Center not providing tennis shoes or shower shoes, nor allowing youth to wear their personal shoes. Youth mentioned standing on their shirts when taking showers because they don't receive shower shoes and the showers</li> </ul>

	<p>aren't cleaned between users.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Youth's reported concerns were shared with Center administrators.</li> </ul>
<b>Recommendations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide youth shoes to wear during the day, to protect the feet from injuries, and while showering.</li> <li>Implement a policy, procedure and practice to ensure key and restraint inventory sheets are immediately accessible, accurate and updated daily.</li> </ul>

**SUBSEQUENT ANNOUNCED AND/OR UNANNOUNCED VISIT(S)**

On 9/02/2015, a subsequent visit was conducted of the Johnson County Juvenile Center by Chance Sweat. The facility tour was conducted by Mrs. Bruther. Youth were observed participating in recreation classes under direct supervision of detention staff. The facility's population count was nine. All youth appeared to be in good health. All areas of the facility appeared to be well-maintained, and sanitation was found to be above average.

**PARTICIPATION IN NEW DETENTION CENTER STANDARDS TRAINING**

<p><b><u>Introduction to the new standards</u></b>  <b><u>Preparing for an Inspection</u></b>  <b><u>Administration and Management Standards</u></b>  <b>January 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015</b></p>	<p>Kristi Bruther, Facility Director  Heather Titara, Assistant Director</p>
<p><b><u>Safety Standards</u></b>  <b><u>Security Standards</u></b>  <b>March 10, 2015</b></p>	<p>Kristi Bruther, Facility Director  Heather Titara, Assistant Director</p>
<p><b><u>Programs and Services Standards</u></b>  <b><u>Education Standards</u></b>  <b>June 2, 2015</b></p>	<p>Kristi Bruther, Facility Director  Heather Titara, Assistant Director  Rachel Ginder, Educator</p>
<p><b><u>Medical Standards</u></b>  <b><u>Mental Health Care Standards</u></b>  <b>July 21, 2015</b></p>	<p>Kristi Bruther, Facility Director  Rachel Ginder, Educator</p>
<p><b><u>Food Service and Hygiene Standards</u></b>  <b><u>Justice and Order Standards</u></b>  <b>September 29, 2015</b></p>	<p>Heather Titara, Assistant Director  Rachel Ginder, Educator</p>

**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

The Johnson County Juvenile Detention Center's technical assistance visit occurred on September 15, 2015 and was conducted by Chance Sweat and Michelle Mosier. The facility was asked to prepare 10 standard files for review. The technical assistance provided included reviewing the 10 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**

Johnson County Juvenile Detention 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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