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**National Recognition for Local Prison Facility**



*Pictured: American Correctional Association auditors at Miami Correctional Facility*

BUNKER HILL, IN – “Congratulations to all our staff who worked so hard to get us to this point,” Warden William Hyatte said on Thursday.

On Monday, October 1, 2018, corrections experts gathered in Bunker Hill for a reaccreditation audit of the Miami Correctional Facility. The auditors spent three days touring this Indiana Department of Correction (IDOC) facility, speaking with staff and inmates, and reviewing files.

They compared every aspect of facility operations to the national standards set by the American Correctional Association (ACA).

Hyatte praised his staff when the auditors announced the final score, saying the facility passed 100 percent of the mandatory standards and 98.19 percent of the non-mandatories. The next step for Warden Hyatte is to appear before the Commission on Accreditation for Corrections at the ACA Winter Conference in January for the final vote on reaccreditation.

“These correctional professionals from across the country scoured every facet of our facility,” touted IDOC Commissioner Robert E. Carter, Jr., “and were as impressed with the staff – and facility – as I am.”



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The Indiana Department of Correction is proud to be one of only 22 states to have achieved and maintained the ACA's Golden Eagle status. This award is only presented to Departments of Correction that have achieved ACA accreditation at 100 percent of their facilities, including Central Office and Parole.

**Background**

For more than 147 years, the American Correctional Association has championed the cause of corrections and correctional effectiveness. Founded in 1870 as the National Prison Association, ACA is the oldest association developed specifically for practitioners in the correctional profession. During the first organizational meeting in Cincinnati, Ohio, the assembly elected then-Ohio Governor and future President Rutherford B. Hayes as the first President of the Association. The mission of the Association is to shape the future of corrections through strong, progressive leadership that brings together various voices and forges coalitions and partnerships to promote the concepts embodied in its principles.

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