### **Overview of Monthly Activity**

The Bureau received 113 (53 were received electronically) complaints during the month of April 2016.

111 (52 electronic) complaints were closed

2 required more information to proceed with an investigation

1 was closed due to lack of Bureau jurisdiction

34 were dismissed for no violation

15 were referred back to the DOC

59 complaints were investigated

3 assists were given (referred back to DOC for action even though the offender failed to attempt to resolve with the facility previously)

17 (14 electronic) complaints were substantiated (see below)

42 were unsubstantiated due to no violation of policy and/or procedure existing

14 complaints remain open (1 from February and 13 from April)

The Bureau also corresponded with another 162 offenders who submitted complaints electronically

#### **Substantiated Complaints & Recommendations to IDOC for Resolution**

### 1. Correctional Industrial Facility

**Complaint Type** Medical Care

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he hurt his foot/leg. He claimed that

he walked to chow on it for 2 weeks and climbed up and down from a top bunk. He was given an x-ray after 6 days and was told that it was a chipped bone and was given crutches. A day later he was told that the bone wasn't broken. He was seen the next day by the doctor and was told that he had a ruptured Achilles and was scheduled for an MRI, given crutches, bottom bunk pass, and a lay in for meals. He didn't have the MRI until over a month later after the injury.

**Basis for Claim** HCSD 2.04 Access to Care

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director

Outcome Nursing protocols were reviewed with staff. The Nurse missed the

ruptured Achilles in the beginning and the initial x-ray was

delayed.

**Follow-up** No follow-up is necessary as the offender has received care and

protocols have been reviewed with staff.

2. Heritage Trail Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Medical Care

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he injured his shoulder over six

weeks ago and has attempted to get care through medical several

times, but has not.

**Basis for Claim** HCSD 2.04 Access to Care

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director

Outcome The offender was seen and his x-ray report was reviewed further.

He was recommended for PT.

**Follow-up** No follow-up is necessary as the offender has now received care

and has been scheduled for PT.

3. Miami Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Dental

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he was having a problem with his

dentures. He filed a grievance, but believes that there is a

misunderstanding about his dentures. He claims that the only pair that he had was given to him by DOC, not an outside doctor.

**Basis for Claim** Dental Services Manual

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director

Outcome Dr. Pearcy fully reviewed the matter and determined to give the

offender a chance to prove that his broken dentures were in fact IDOC issued. When he presented the dentures to the Doctor, the dentures were IDOC issued, thus the dentures will be replaced for

free.

**Follow-up** No follow-up necessary as the offender has been evaluated for his

new dentures and will receive a new pair.

## 4. Miami Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Grievance

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he filed a grievance concerning

confiscation of a magazine and the response time was overdue.

**Basis for Claim** 00-02-301 Offender Grievance Process

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Angela Heishman at the facility.

**Outcome** The offender's grievance was responded to.

**Follow- up** No follow-up necessary as the grievance response addressed the

offender's issue and he can appeal.

### 5. Miami Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Medical Care

**Complaint Summary** The offender claims that he is being denied treatment for Hepatitis

C due to his outdate being in less than seven months.

**Basis for Claim** HCSD 2.06 Chronic Disease Intervention Guidelines

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director

Outcome Labs were ordered, but never taken. The labs were taken and

reviewed with the offender by the Provider.

**Follow-up** No follow-up is necessary as the offender has received further

care.

### 6. New Castle Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Medical Care

Complaint Summary The offender complains that he is in constant shoulder pain. He

had an MRI done, but it could not be read due to the hardware already in his shoulder. The Ortho's order was for an MRI with resolving agent, but he was sent for another MRI and that was

unreadable again.

**Basis for Claim** HCSD 1.05 Off-site Medical Referrals

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director.

Outcome The offender received an MRI with contrast.

**Follow-up** No follow up is necessary as the offender has received further care.

### 7. New Castle Correctional Facility

Complaint Type Medical Care

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he put in two Healthcare Request

Forms to be seen for pain from kidney stones, but has not been

seen.

**Basis for Claim** HCSD 2.04 Access to Care

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director.

Outcome The offender was seen by the Provider. The offender had seen the

Provider and follow up should have occurred, but had not been

scheduled.

**Follow-up** No follow-up necessary as the offender has received treatment.

#### 8. New Castle Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Medical Care

**Complaint Summary** The offender complains that he was supposed to receive

medications two weeks ago, but has not received the medications.

**Basis for Claim** HCSD 2.17 Medication Management

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director.

Outcome The medications were ordered, but wrongly and no one noticed

that they had not arrived. He received the medications the same

day. Ordering procedures were reviewed with staff.

**Follow-up** No follow-up necessary as the offender has received the

medication.

9. New Castle Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Medical Care

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he was given back stock of an HIV

med and the next day they still did not have his medication and

were then out of back stock.

**Basis for Claim** HCSD 2.17 Medication Management

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director.

**Outcome** A different nurse was working who was not aware where the

facility back stock of medication was located. The nurse has been counseled, the medications have been relocated and the offender

has received the medication.

**Follow-up** No follow-up necessary as the offender is receiving further care.

10. New Castle Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Medical Care

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he needed to be seen for a urinary

tract infection.

**Basis for Claim** HCSD 2.04 Access to Care

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Service Director

Outcome Offender had been seen, but not responsive to nurse protocol and

not seen by the doctor within 7 days. Staff counseled as to proper

timeframes.

**Follow – up** No follow up necessary as the offender has received care.

11. Pendleton Correctional Facility

Complaint Type Mental Health

**Complaint Summary** The offender complains that he is in the mental health treatment

unit, but is not allowed to participate in groups. He says that he is

not on administrative segregation in his cell.

**Basis for Claim** Facility Directive 181 "Mental Health Units"

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director.

Outcome Despite the offender's inappropriate behavior towards staff in

groups, he should not have been restricted. He was allowed to go back to groups the next day. A status of Level 3 cuffed is being

created for the unit and he will be one of these offenders.

**Follow-up** No follow-up is necessary as the offender has now been allowed to

participate in groups and leave his cell.

12. New castle Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Medical Care

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he should have an order from

medical for two piece clothing.

**Basis for Claim** IC 11-10-3-5 Offender Healthcare Co-payment Procedures

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director

**Outcome** The offender was provided with two piece clothing.

**Follow-up** No follow-up is necessary as the offender has received the

clothing.

## 13. Putnamville Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Credit Time

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that his jail time credit that he was

awarded has not been calculated into his time.

**Basis for Claim** 01-04-101 Adult Offender Classification

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Randy Short, Director of Adult Placement

**Outcome** The jail time credit days were credited to his sentence and his

EPRD was adjusted.

**Follow-up** No follow-up is necessary as the offender has not received the

appropriate jail time credit.

### 14. Wabash Valley Correctional Facility

Complaint Type Dental

Complaint Summary The offender complained that he put in a medical slip to be seen

for tooth pain. He didn't hear anything so seven days later he submitted another and after six more days he received a response

that he was put in to see the dentist.

**Basis for Claim** Dental Services Manual

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director.

Outcome Proper Healthcare Request Form protocol was not followed, thus

he was seen the same day.

**Follow-up** No follow-up is necessary as the offender has now received dental

care.

#### 15. Westville Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Classification (Time Cut)

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he completed the DOL program over

a year ago, but it has not been submitted.

**Basis for Claim** 01-04-101 Adult Offender Classification

Investigative Summary The Bureau contacted Dave Leonard, Administrative Assistant at

the facility.

Outcome The graduate record was submitted and the time cut now is

pending.

**Follow-up** No follow up is necessary as the matter has been addressed.

16. Westville Correctional Facility

Complaint Type Credit Time

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he has been given a grievous loss of

90 days when it was supposed to be a suspended sanction. He has sent numerous requests, but has not received a response and a

grievance is not appropriate for this reason.

Basis for Claim 02-04-101 Adult Disciplinary Code

Investigative Summary The Bureau contacted Dave Leonard, Administrative Assistant at

the facility.

Outcome The deprivation had accidentally been added twice and was fixed.

**Follow-up** No follow-up is necessary as the offender's time has been

corrected.

17. Westville Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Medical Care

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he was seen by medical 23 days ago,

but has not been scheduled.

**Basis for Claim** HCSD 2.04 Access to Care

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director.

**Outcome** The offender was examined.

**Follow-up** No follow-up is necessary as the offender has received the care

needed.

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#### Assists

## 1. Correctional Industrial Facility

**Complaint Type** Clothing

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he has been without clothing for

three weeks. He says that he tried complaining to the property

officer, but no one has responded to him.

**Basis for Claim** 02-01-104 Offender Grooming, Clothing, and Hygiene

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Delana Ritchie, Assistant Superintendent at

the facility.

Outcome The offender was issued clothing the same day. He had tried

stopping into the property office, instead of following the correct

procedure.

**Follow-up** No follow-up is necessary as the offender has received his

clothing.

2. Indiana State Prison

**Complaint Type** Medical Care

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he was given a TB shot, after he

tried to warn Nursing staff that he was allergic and had an allergic

reaction to it.

**Basis for Claim** HCSD 8.01 Nursing Protocols

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director.

Outcome Nursing staff should have reviewed EMR before administering

shot. The offender has been treated for the reaction.

**Follow-up** No follow-up is necessary as the offender has received care for the

reaction and was noted to be a localized reaction that has healed.

3. Westville Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Work

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he had not been paid for time that he

worked in February at another facility before he was transferred.

**Basis for Claim** 02-01-106 Offender Assignment and Pay Schedules

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Dave Leonard, Administrative Assistant at

the facility.

Outcome The pay slips had not been submitted.

**Follow-up** No follow-up is necessary as the offender has not received the pay.

### **Follow- up from Previous Month**

#### 1. New Castle Correctional Facility – Medical Care

**Synopsis** The offender complains that he has pressure in his brain. He was

told that he would be seeing a Neurologist due to it, but it has been

two months and he has not been scheduled further.

**30-day follow-up** The offender has been seen and treated further.