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TO:

Assistant Director for Detention Management

FROM:

Lead Compliance Inspector The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

SUBJECT:

Annual Detention Inspection of the Hudson County Corrections and

Rehabilitation Center

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE Performance-Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS 2008/SAAPI 2011) of the Hudson County Corrections and Rehabilitation Center in Kearny, New Jersey during the period of May 7-9, 2019. This is an IGSA facility.

The inspection was performed under the guidance of Members were:

Subject Matter Field	Team Member	
Detainee Rights		
Security		
Medical Care		
Medical Care		-
Safety		

Type of Inspection

This is a scheduled annual inspection, which is performed to determine overall compliance with the ICE PBNDS 2008/SAAPI 2011 for Over 72 hour facilities. The facility previously had a 180 day reinspection August 14-16, 2018 with a rating of Meets Standards.

Inspection Summary

The Hudson County Corrections and Rehabilitation Center is currently accredited by:

- The American Correctional Association (ACA) No
- The National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) No
- The Joint Commission (TJC) No
- Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) No

Standards Compliance

The following information is a summary of the standards that were reviewed and overall compliance that was determined as a result of the 2018 reinspection and the 2019 annual inspection:



2018 ReInspection	
Meets Standards	39
Does Not Meet Standards	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	2

2019 Annual Inspection	
Meets Standards	39
Does Not Meet Standards	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	2

The inspection team identified two (2) component deficiencies in the following two (2) standards:

Environmental Health and Safety - 1 Staff-Detainee Communication - 1

Facility Snapshot/Description

The Hudson County Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation Center operates under the jurisdiction of the County of Hudson.

The facility houses male and female detainees for the U.S. Marshal Service, ICE (from the New Jersey AOR and New York AOR), Hudson County, and the State of New Jersey. The facility does not house juveniles.

Male detainees of all classification levels are held at the facility. Females in medium, medium high, and high classification are held at the facility in one dormitory.

ICE officials from the New Jersey AOR and the New York AOR maintain an office in the facility. There is a daily presence of ICE officers in the housing units. ICE detainees are provided an ICE specific handbook and an ICE specific orientation.

Each dormitory dayroom is furnished with tables, chairs, television viewing area, telephone bank, and ample showers and wash basins. Board games and other sedentary activities are available in the dayrooms of the general population housing units. Outdoor recreation activities include basketball and soccer, a fixed exercise station, and cardiovascular exercise.

No less than eighty-five detainees were interviewed by the inspectors. Interviews were conducted with detainees in the special management units and general population units. Confidential interviews and interviews with LEP detainees were conducted. There were no concerns voiced by the detainees regarding mail, visitation, access to the law library, access to telephones, commissary, or recreation. During other interviews, detainees expressed no issues with medical care and were able to describe intake screenings, physical examination, TB testing, and how to access health care. Without exception, detainees stated that they feel safe at the facility and that officers and social workers are professional and are available to answer questions or concerns. LEP detainees stated that they have no problem communicating with staff. Many staff are bilingual. Shift supervisors and ICE officers were observed interacting with ICE detainees in the housing areas, law library, ICE office, and classrooms.

Medical care was provided by Contract Family Guidance (CFG) Health Systems until October 1, 2018 when the facility began using Wellpath as the health care provider. ICE detainees are not charged a medical co-pay fee. Food Service is provided by Gourmet Dining.



Areas of Concern/Significant Observations

There were no areas of concern or significant observations.

Recommended Rating and Justification

The Lead Compliance Inspector recommends that the facility receive a rating of Meets Standard. The facility complies with the ICE Performance Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS) 2008/SAAPI 2011. No (0) standards were found Does Not Meet Standard and two (2) standards were Not Applicable (N/A). All remaining forty (40) standards were found to Meet Standard.

LCI Assurance Statement

The findings of compliance and non-compliance are accurately and completely documented on the G-324 Inspection Form and are supported by documentation in the inspection file. An out brief was conducted at the facility and in addition to the entire Nakamoto Group, Inc. Inspection Team, the following were present:

