

May 3, 2018

TO:

Assistant Director for Detention Management

FROM:

Lead Compliance Inspector The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

SUBJECT:

Annual Detention Inspection of the Suffolk County House of

Correction

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS) of the Suffolk County House of Correction in Boston, MA during the period of May 1-3, 2018. This is an IGSA facility.

The annual inspection was performed under the guidance of Inspector. Team Members were:

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

Type of Inspection

This is a scheduled annual inspection, which is performed to determine overall compliance with the ICE NDS for Over 72 hour facilities. The facility received a previous rating of Acceptable during the May 2017 inspection.

Inspection Summary

The Suffolk County House of Correction is currently accredited by:

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

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 2017 and 2018 NDS compliance annual inspections:



2017 Inspection	
Acceptable	37
Deficient	0
At-Risk	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	2

2018 Inspection	
Acceptable	37
Deficient	0
At-Risk	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	2

The inspection team identified ten (10) deficient components in the following eight (8) standards:

Access to Legal Materials - 1, which is a repeat deficiency

Correspondence and Other Mail - 2, which are repeat deficiencies

Food Service - 2

Funds and Personal Property - 1

Visitation - 1, which is a repeat deficiency

Environmental Health and Safety - 1

Special Management Unit (Disciplinary Segregation) – 1, which is a repeat deficiency

Sexual Abuse and Assault Prevention and Intervention - 1

Facility Snapshot/Description

The Suffolk County House of Correction is a	facility operated by the Suffolk County
Sheriff's Office. The eight-building facility houses	
. This decentralized, direct supervision	n correctional center is comprised of 27

separate housing units.

The food service

department is operated by Summit Food Services. The medical department is operated by NaphCare. All other services are provided by employees of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department. During the inspection, the facility was observed to be of adequate cleanliness, quiet, and orderly. No less than 107 detainee interviews were conducted. There were no concerns voiced regarding living conditions, legal access, medical care, or life safety issues.

Building Eight houses male ICE detainees on the third and fourth floors. These dormitory style housing units have a capacity of seventy-five detainees in six person rooms. Each dormitory has a dayroom area with tables, chairs, a television viewing area, a telephone bank and ample showers and wash basins. Female ICE detainees are housed in Building One on the tenth floor in two and three person cells, with a capacity of thirty-two. The housing unit also has a dayroom area with tables, chairs, a television viewing area, a telephone bank and ample showers and wash basins. Both male and female ICE detainees have access to indoor/outdoor recreation. Law libraries are adjacent to each housing unit.



Facility employees are professional and skilled in the administration of the ICE standards. Staff presented themselves in a professional manner in both attire and demeanor. Staff interaction with detainees is relaxed, yet professional. Many of the staff are bilingual. Detainees were polite and respectful to staff and visitors. Detainees registered no substantive concerns about the condition of the facility or their treatment by staff. During confidential interviews, all detainees indicated that they felt safe at the facility and that the ICE officers, correctional officers and command personnel were readily available and responsive to their concerns. Interviews with LEP detainees indicated that they had no issues communicating with staff and no problems obtaining services. A deportation officer is assigned to this facility five days a week. The detainees do not have a co-pay for medical care.

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 Acceptable. The facility complies with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS). No (0) standards were found Deficient and two (2) standards were Not Applicable (N/A). All remaining thirty-seven (37) standards were found to be in compliance.

LCI Assurance Statement

The findings of Acceptable and Deficient are accurately and completely documented on the G-324A 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:

 ICE Officials – Facility Staff – 		
, Lead Compliance Inspector	May 3, 2018	
Printed Name of LCI	Date	