

September 24, 2020

TO: [REDACTED]
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FROM: [REDACTED]
Lead Compliance Inspector
The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

SUBJECT: **Annual Inspection of the Broward Transitional Center**

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE Performance-Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS 2011) of the Broward Transitional Center in Pompano Beach, Florida, during the period of September 22-24, 2020. This is a CDF.

The annual inspection was performed under the guidance of [REDACTED], Lead Compliance Inspector. Team Members were:

Subject Matter Field	Team Member
Detainee Rights	[REDACTED]
Security	[REDACTED]
Medical Care	[REDACTED]
Medical Care	[REDACTED]
Safety	[REDACTED]

Type of Inspection

This is a scheduled annual inspection, which is performed to determine overall compliance with the ICE PBNDS 2011 for Over 72 hour facilities. The facility received a previous rating of Meets Standard during the October 2019 annual inspection.

Inspection Summary

The Broward Transitional Center 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 2019 and 2020 PBNDS annual inspections:



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2019 Annual Re-Inspection	
Meets Standards	40
Does Not Meet Standards	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	2

2020 Annual Inspection	
Meets Standards	40
Does Not Meet Standards	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	2

No deficiencies were identified in any component.

Facility Snapshot/Description

The Broward Transitional Center is an ICE Contract Detention Facility (CDF), owned and operated by The GEO Group, Inc. It is in Pompano Beach, FL, which is just north of Ft. Lauderdale. This CDF only houses adult male and female ICE detainees with low and medium classification levels. It does not have a special management unit. Detainees worthy of segregation status are immediately transferred out of the facility. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] COVID-19 conditions have been implemented in all housing and program areas resulting in a lower than normal population and multiple scheduling adjustments to accommodate smaller crowd sizes and movement patterns.

The facility is a converted motel configured as a two-tier linear layout with outside door entrances in two of the three housing units. [REDACTED] There are 117 rooms, each house from four to six detainees in an open floor design. The facility has three separate housing areas designated as North, West, and South. Males reside in the North and South housing areas, and the females reside in the West housing area. The male detainee rooms open directly to the outdoor walkways. The female detainee rooms are in an enclosed building on the second floor. The male housing areas consist of upper and lower rooms that are not locked, except when a room is unoccupied and unassigned. ICE/ERO staff and the Executive Office of Immigration Review (EOIR) maintain an on-site presence.

Every detainee room has a television and a bathroom with a sink, toilet, and shower. Each room has a panic alarm in the sleeping area, and another in the bathroom, to alert staff for an immediate assistance response. Each detainee has access to electronic tablets in their housing unit from which they can send emails, conduct video visits, play games, read books, and access select facility program information.

There is a large centralized outdoor recreation yard in which all detainees are offered at least seven hours per day of recreation. The central dining room space serves as the visiting room and a multi-purpose room, hosting volunteer speakers, bingo, and other activities regularly.

Sixteen detainees were interviewed in a confidential setting; nine males and six females. An interpreter was used in some of the interactions. There were a few comments about the variety and amount of food served. The safety SME discussed the concerns with the food service manager, the OIC, and the compliance manager. The cycle menu adheres to nutritional standards, and the 35-day menu cycle offers a wide range of ethnic and appetizing choices. It was determined that no further action was necessary. A couple of medical concerns were raised. The medical SME discussed these claims with the health services administrator. In all cases, the detainees had been seen by medical staff and were provided with proper medical care. Follow-up consults and testing is and will be scheduled as the detainee's conditions present. No immediate action was necessary. There was one female detainee who complained of suffering harassment from another female detainee in July 2020. This allegation was discussed with the OIC office. The assertion was properly documented and investigated resulting in no substance to the claim. The alleged harasser is no longer housed in the facility. Some of the detainees were concerned about the on-going COVID-19 situation. The OIC discussed facility policy with the medical SME. Proper safety and control



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procedures were put in place, which makes pre-COVID-19 conditions at the facility different from what is required now. Detainees are still adjusting. It was determined that staff are communicating with the population routinely about the latest Coronavirus developments.

Overall, detainees stated they felt safe at the facility and have endured no mistreatment by staff. There were no concerns raised about their medical care or access to the law library. The food comments were focused on variety and amount, but not quality. All detainees stated their housing units and showers were clean and they had ample access to outdoor recreation.

There was one escape from the facility during this inspection period. On 2/19/2020 a detainee gained access to the facility roof and was able to scale and breach the facility's perimeter fencing. Escape procedures were enacted, and the proper notifications were made. The detainee was promptly captured by the U.S. Marshalls and transferred to a more secure facility.

Telephone contact with several employees during the inspection revealed a professional and responsive demeanor and an overall knowledge of the detention standards. The sanitation level, determined from submitted photos and videos, displayed a clean environment.

Detainees are not charged co-pays for medical, mental health, or dental care. All services are provided by the Geo Group, Inc. employees.

Areas of Concern/Significant Observations

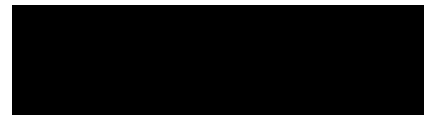
The inspection was conducted remotely, and inspectors were unable to personally observe practices and procedures within the facility. The inspection team relied upon photographs and/or videos to validate the observation of many standards.

Recommended Rating and Justification

The Lead Compliance Inspector recommends that the facility receive a rating of Meets Standards unless unobserved practices and conditions are contrary to what was reported to the inspection team. The facility complies with the ICE Performance-Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS) 2011 for Over 72-hour facilities. No (0) standards were rated as Does Not Meet Standards and two (2) standards were Not Applicable (N/A). All remaining forty (40) standards were found to be in compliance.

LCI Assurance Statement

The findings of compliance and noncompliance are accurately and completely documented on the G-324A Inspection Form and are supported by documentation in the inspection file. A telephone, call-in out brief was conducted at the facility. In addition to the entire Nakamoto Group, Inc. Inspection Team, there was facility and ICE/ERO personnel who phoned in and listened to the final comments.



[Redacted], Lead Compliance Inspector

Printed Name of LCI

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