

May 24, 2018

TO:

Assistant Director for Detention Management

FROM:

Lead Compliance Inspector The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

SUBJECT: Annual Detention Inspection of the Nobles County Jail

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS-Over 72 Hours) of the Nobles County Jail in Worthington, Minnesota during the period of May 22-24, 2018. This is an IGSA facility.

The annual inspection was performed under the guidance of tor. 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. A previous inspection report was not available.

Inspection Summary

The Nobles County Jail 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) 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 2018 annual inspection.



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Acceptable	36
Deficient	0
At-Risk	0
Repeat Deficiency	0
Not Applicable	3

The inspection team identified forty-one (41) deficient components in the following twenty-one (21) standards:

Admission and Release—1

Correspondence and Other Mail—1

Detainee Handbook—7

Food Service—5

Funds and Personal Property—2

Detainee Grievance Procedures—1

Recreation - 1

Detainee Telephone Access - 1

Access to Medical Care—3

Suicide Prevention and Intervention – 1

Terminal Illness, Advanced Directives, and Death - 1

Disciplinary Policy -1

Environmental Health and Safety-5

Key and Lock Control—3

Post Orders—1

Security Inspections - 1

Special Management Unit (Disciplinary Segregation)—1

Tool Control—1

Use of Force - 1

Staff/Detainee Communications—2

Detainee Transfer Standard—1

Facility Snapshot/Description

The Nobles County Jail is located in the outskirts of Worthington, Minnesota, in the Southwest corner of Minnesota at the intersection of Interstate 90 and Minnesota State Highway 60. The facility is owned by Nobles County and operated by the Nobles County Sheriff's Office. The facility houses

of all security levels, as well as

The total facility count on the first

day of the inspection was

The physical plant is a podular remote design with pod control in full view of the individual housing units. All detainees are housed in cells or open bay units. There is a mezzanine level in each general population unit. ICE detainees are housed with local non-ICE detainees in compatible custody levels.



Housing areas provide adequate open space. Each unit has a television viewing area, telephone banks, game tables, microwaves, and video visitation stations. Outdoor recreation is available at the optimal seven days per week, weather permitting. Indoor recreation opportunities are available along with X-box games. The detainees are offered a variety of programs including Chemical Treatment Programs, Anger Management Classes, Educational and Parenting Classes. The atmosphere throughout the facility is calm, with no evidence of stress levels present. The ICE detainee was interviewed during the inspection. He received his orientation packet and a face-to-face orientation in conjunction with the telephonic interpretive service. One of the bilingual inspectors interviewed the detainee. He had one question regarding a telephone call to his family. The sergeant followed up with the concern. Once the detainee completed the booking process, he was permitted to make a telephone call.

Facility employees conducted themselves professionally during interactions with, and as observed by, inspection team members. Housing unit officers are familiar with use of the Language Line for interpretive services.

Food services are provided by Catering By Marlins, Inc. (CBM). Medical services are provided by Mend Correctional Care. All other services are provided by county employees. Sanitation levels were excellent.

There is no medical co-pay for ICE detainees.

Areas of Concern/Significant Observations

There were no concerns 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) for Over 72 Hour facilities. No (0) standards were found Deficient and three (3) standards were Not Applicable (N/A). All remaining thirty-six (36) standards were found to be Acceptable.

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 –none

Facility Staff –

, Lead Compliance Inspector

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Date