

August 22, 2019

TO:

Assistant Director for Detention Management

FROM:

Lead Compliance Inspector The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

SUBJECT: Annual Detention Inspection of the Johnson County Corrections Center

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE Performance Based National Detention Standards 2011 (PBNDS 2011) Over 72 Hours, of the Johnson County Corrections Center in Cleburne, Texas, during the period of August 20-22, 2019. This is an IGSA facility.

The inspection was performed under the guidance of the compliance Inspector. Team members were:

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

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 Meets Standards rating during the August 2018 inspection.

Inspection Summary

The Johnson County Corrections 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) 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 and 2019 annual inspections:



2018 Annual Inspection		
Meets Standards	39	
Does Not Meet Standards	0	
Repeat Finding	0	
Not Applicable	3	

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

The inspection team identified sixteen (16) deficient components in the following eleven (11) standards:

Environmental Health and Safety - 1

Hold Rooms - 1

Sexual Abuse and Assault Prevention and Intervention – 1, which is a Priority component

Special Management Units -1, which is a repeat finding

Staff-Detainee Communication - 2, one of which is a repeat finding

Food Service -2, one of which is a repeat finding

Hunger Strikes - 1

Medical Care – 1, which is a Priority component

Significant Self-Harm and Suicide Prevention and Intervention – 1, which is a Priority component

Voluntary Work Program - 2

Staff Training - 3

Facility Snapshot/Description

The Johnson County Corrections Center is located in a business district in the northern section of Cleburne, Texas. The facility is operated by LaSalle Corrections under the jurisdiction of the Johnson County Sheriff's Office. The facility houses adult male ICE detainees; male and female U.S. Marshals Service detainees; and male and female Johnson county inmates.

The facility houses all ICE classification levels. There was no documentation produced for the PREA audit; however, the PREA Coordinator advised that the facility was certified.

ICE detainees are housed under the direct supervision model in four dormitories surrounded by a control center. The housing unit is a single-story building. The building that is used to house ICE detainees is dedicated to the ICE population and includes the intake unit. There is no commingling with other jurisdictions. Each dormitory has an adjacent outdoor recreation area, which detainees may frequent without restriction throughout the day. Recreation is provided at optimal levels for ICE detainees at this facility. Dayroom activities include board games and television, as well as, access to telephones and a law library computer during waking hours. The sanitation levels of the facility are above average in most areas and average in the housing units. The inspection team observed graffiti near the telephone banks. The maintenance supervisor advised that a painting project is under way to eliminate the graffiti. During the inspection period, a television was added to each unit. A recreation supervisor was added when the count reached ICE detainees.

No less than seventy detainees were interviewed by the inspection team. Ten interviews were conducted using the Language Line. Formal and informal interviews were completed during the inspection. Without exception, detainees stated that they feel safe in the facility. LEP detainees indicated that they had no



issues communicating or accessing services. Confidential and LEP interviews gave no indication of issues with safety of detainees. Detainees stated that they were comfortable within the groups they were housed. Upon each visit to the housing units, the inspection team was approached by detainees who had issues or concerns relating to communication with ICE officers. Detainees specifically voiced issues with "lack of response from written request slips." Detainees asked the team questions regarding Immigration Court, deportation dates, and bond requests. Detainees were referred to ICE officials. There were three detainee complaints regarding the portion size of meal service and repetitive menu selections. The Safety SME verified that the menu was approved by a dietician, that the meals were nutritionally adequate, and that the portion sizes were appropriate under the standards. There were no issues or concerns with law library access, telephone access, medical services or mail privileges.

Detainees freely conversed with the inspectors, facility staff and each other. Facility employees displayed professional demeanor. All officers and supervisors exhibited an understanding of the detention standards and civil detention. Food services are provided by Five Star Correctional Services. All other services are provided by LaSalle Corrections. ICE detainees do not incur medical co-payments.

Areas of Concern/Significant Observations

There were three Priority Components rated as Does Not Meet Standard:

Sexual Abuse and Assault Prevention and Intervention

Component: Training on the facility's Sexual Abuse and Assault Prevention and Intervention Program is included in initial and annual refresher training for employees, volunteers, and contract personnel, and address all training topics required by the Detention Standard. The facility maintains written documentation verifying employee, volunteer, and contractor training.

Finding: Training documentation was not available.

Recommendation: Provide the required training.

Significant Self-Harm and Suicide Prevention and Intervention

Component: All facility staff who interact with and/or are responsible for detainees are trained, during orientation and at least annually on the facility's Suicide Prevention and Intervention Program, to include:

- Why the environments of detention facilities are conducive to suicidal behavior,
- Standard first aid training, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training and training in the use of emergency equipment,
- Liability issues associated with detainee suicide,
- Recognizing verbal and behavioral cues that indicate potential suicide,
- Demographic, cultural, and precipitating factors of suicidal behavior,
- Responding to suicidal and depressed detainees,
- Communication between correctional and health care personnel,
- Necessary referral procedures,
- Housing observation and suicide-watch procedures,
- Follow-up monitoring of detainees who have attempted suicide, and

Reporting and written documentation procedures.



Finding: Training documentation was not available.

Recommendation: Provide the required training.

Medical Care

Component: Training is provided to all detention and health care personnel at least annually by a responsible medical authority in cooperation with the facility administrator, and includes:

- Responding to health-related situations within four (4) minutes;
- Recognizing of signs of potential health emergencies and the required responses;
- Administering first aid, AED and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR);
- Obtaining emergency medical assistance through the facility plan and its required procedures;
- Recognizing signs and symptoms of mental illness and suicide risk;

The facility's established plan and procedures for providing emergency medical care including, when required, the safe and secure transfer of detainees for appropriate hospital or other medical services, including by ambulance when indicated.

Finding: Training documentation was not available.

Recommendation: Provide the required training.

Recommended Rating and Justification

The Lead Compliance Inspector recommends that the facility receive a rating of Meets Standards. The facility complies with the ICE Performance Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS) 2011 for Over 72 Hour facilities. No (0) standards were found 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. 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:
Johnson County Sheriff's Department:
Facility Staff (LaSalle Corrections):





, Lead Compliance Inspector

Printed Name of LCI

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Date