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Thomas Neville, Superintendent
 Boston Pre-Release Center
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Re: Facility Inspection – Boston Pre-Release Center, Roslindale

Dear Superintendent Neville:

In accordance with M.G.L. c. 111, §§ 5, 20, and 21, as well as Massachusetts Department of Public Health (Department) Regulations 105 CMR 451.000: Minimum Health and Sanitation Standards and Inspection Procedures for Correctional Facilities; 105 CMR 480.000: Storage and Disposal of Infectious or Physically Dangerous Medical or Biological Waste (State Sanitary Code, Chapter VIII); 105 CMR 590.000: Minimum Sanitation Standards for Food Establishments (State Sanitary Code Chapter X); the 2013 Food Code; 105 CMR 500.000 Good Manufacturing Practices for Food; and 105 CMR 205.000 Minimum Standards Governing Medical Records and the Conduct of Physical Examinations in Correctional Facilities; the Department’s Community Sanitation Program (CSP) conducted an inspection of the Boston Pre-Release Center on June 26, 2019 accompanied by Sergeant John Heavey, Environmental Health and Safety Officer. Violations noted during the inspection are listed below including 96 repeat violations:

HEALTH AND SAFETY VIOLATIONS

(* indicates conditions documented on previous inspection reports)

FIRST FLOOR

- Lobby* No Violations Noted
- Visitor’s Room # A1-4* No Violations Noted
- Female Visitor’s Bathroom # A1-5* No Violations Noted
- Male Visitor’s Bathroom # A1-6* No Violations Noted
- Janitor’s Closet # A1-7* No violations Noted

A Wing

Shift Commander's Office # A1-8

No Violations Noted

Female Staff Bathroom # A1-9

No Violations Noted

Male Staff Bathroom # A1-10

No Violations Noted

Intake Holding # A1-12

No Violations Noted

Property # A1-17

No Violations Noted

Holding Cell # A1-18

No Violations Noted

Weight Room # A1-19

105 CMR 451.130*

Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, insufficient pressure at water fountain

Male Staff Locker Room # A1-29/30

No Violations Noted

Janitor's Closet # A1-31

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket

Female Staff Locker Room # A1-32/33

No Violations Noted

Mechanical Room # A1-36 (Medical Waste Storage)

No Violations Noted

Storage/Warehouse # A1-38

No Violations Noted

Maintenance # A1-39

105 CMR 451.200*

Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, no functioning thermometer in refrigerator

Office # A1-41

No Violations Noted

Tool Crib #A1-10

No Violations Noted

Health Service Unit

Bathroom # A1-23

No Violations Noted

Medical Lab # A1-24

No Violations Noted

<i>Exam Room # A1-25</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Dental Room # A1-26</i>	No Violations Noted
Food Service Area	
<i>Walk-in Freezer (Outside)</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Bathroom</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Walk-in Freezer</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Walk-in Refrigerator</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Prep Table</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Dry Storage Room # A1-46</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Traulsen Refrigerator</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Office # A1-47</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Mechanical Warewashing Room</i> FC 6-501.12(A)	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, sprayer head dirty at 3-Compartment Sink
<i>Handwash Sink</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Traulsen Refrigerator</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Food Service Line</i> FC 4-502.13(B)*	Maintenance and Operation, Utensils and Temperature and Pressure Measuring Devices: Bulk milk container dispensing tube not cut on a diagonal
<i>Traulsen Warmer</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Rubbish Room (Chemical Storage) # A1-51</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Supply Room # A1-50</i> FC 6-501.12(A)	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed

Ice Machine

No Violations noted

Grease Hood

No Violations Noted

Traulsen Freezer

No Violations Noted

Inmate Dining Room # A1-52

No violations Noted

Staff Dining Room # A1-53

No Violations Noted

B Wing

Day Room

105 CMR 451.353*

Interior Maintenance: Wall fan dusty

105 CMR 451.200

Food Storage, Preparation and Service: Food storage not in compliance with 105 CMR 590.000, vending machine thermometer reading 46°F

Bathroom # B1-31

105 CMR 451.117*

Toilet Fixtures: Toilet fixtures dirty, cigarette ash on toilet # 1

105 CMR 451.117

Toilet Fixtures: Toilet fixtures dirty, cigarette ash on toilet # 2

105 CMR 451.117

Toilet Fixtures: Urinal fixtures dirty, urinal # 1-4 dirty

Shower Room # B1-33

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Soap scum on floors in shower # 1-7

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Exposed drywall in shower # 4

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Ceiling vents dusty

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 7

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged

105 CMR 451.130*

Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, shower # 4 out-of-order

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Gap between floor and wall

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Floor dirty throughout

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Mold growth observed on ceiling

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Curtain dirty in shower # 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 7

105 CMR 451.130

Hot Water: Shower water temperature recorded at 119°F at shower # 1

Janitor's Closet # B1-34

105 CMR 451.353*

Interior Maintenance: Floor damaged

105 CMR 451.353*

Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Laundry Room

105 CMR 451.353*

Interior Maintenance: Baseboard damaged

Cells

105 CMR 451.321*

Cell Size: Inadequate floor space, cells triple bunked

105 CMR 451.353*

Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # B107 and B109

C Wing

Day Room

105 CMR 451.353*

Interior Maintenance: Window blinds damaged

Janitor's Closet # C1-34

No Violations Noted

Laundry Room # C1-31

105 CMR 451.353*

Interior Maintenance: Excessive dryer lint observed behind dryers

Bathroom # C1-32

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Soap scum on floor in shower # 1-4

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 1-4

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Ceiling damaged

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Ceiling vents dusty

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Mold in shower # 1-4

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Light not functioning properly, light out above sinks

105 CMR 451.130*

Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, shower # 3 out-of-order

105 CMR 451.123*

Maintenance: Water pooling on floor outside showers

105 CMR 451.117*

Toilet Fixtures: Toilet fixtures dirty, cigarette ash on toilet # 1

105 CMR 451.117

Toilet Fixtures: Toilet fixtures dirty, cigarette ash on toilet # 2 and 3

105 CMR 451.117

Toilet Fixtures: Urinal dirty, cigarette ash on urinal # 1 and 2

105 CMR 451.130

Hot Water: Shower water temperature recorded at 120⁰F at shower # 2

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Toilet seat damaged at toilet # 2

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Hand dryer out-of-order

Cells

105 CMR 451.141

Screens: Screen damaged in cell # C110

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged in cell # C124

SECOND FLOOR

A Wing

Office # A2-6

No Violations Noted

Office # A2-7

No Violations Noted

Office # A2-9

No Violations Noted

Office # A2-10

No Violations Noted

Closet # A2-8

No violations Noted

Multi-Purpose Room # A2-2

No Violations Noted

Classroom # A2-4

No Violations Noted

Classroom # A2-5

No Violations Noted

Staff Bathroom # A2-34 No Violations Noted

Office # A2-35 No Violations Noted

Storage # A2-36 No Violations Noted

Barber Shop # A2-11 No Violations Noted

Work Release Offices No Violations Noted

Janitor's Closet # A2-12 No Violations Noted

Administration Area

Janitor's Closet # A2-24 No Violations Noted

Female Staff Bathroom # A2-25
105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Male Staff Bathroom # A2-26
105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Kitchenette No Violations Noted

IPS No Violations Noted

B Wing

Day Room No Violations Noted

Office # B2-2
105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tiles water stained

Hallway
105 CMR 451.353* Interior Maintenance: Wall fan dusty

Bathroom # B2-31
105 CMR 451.123* Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged
105 CMR 451.123* Maintenance: Ceiling vents dusty

Janitor's Closet # B2-32
105 CMR 451.353* Interior Maintenance: Light out

Shower Room # B2-33

105 CMR 451.123* Maintenance: Soap scum on floors in shower # 1-7
105 CMR 451.123* Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 1-7
105 CMR 451.123* Maintenance: Soap scum on curtains in shower # 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6
105 CMR 451.123* Maintenance: Gap between wall and floor
105 CMR 451.123* Maintenance: Floor dirty throughout
105 CMR 451.123* Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged
105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Paint damaged on ceiling vents
105 CMR 451.130 Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, floor drain filled with debris
105 CMR 451.130 Hot Water: Shower water temperature recorded at 116⁰F at shower # 4

Laundry Room # B2-34

No Violations Noted

Cells

105 CMR 451.321* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space, cells triple bunked
105 CMR 451.353* Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # B217
105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Floor tiles damaged in cell # B218
105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # B216

C Wing

Computer Classroom

105 CMR 451.353* Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged near water fountains

Laundry Room # C2-31

No Violations Noted

Bathroom # C2-32

105 CMR 451.123* Maintenance: Ceiling vents dusty
105 CMR 451.123* Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 1-4
105 CMR 451.123* Maintenance: Shower partitions rusted and corroded in shower # 1, 2, and 3
105 CMR 451.123* Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged
105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Mold observed in shower # 3
105 CMR 451.130 Hot Water: Shower water temperature recorded at 116⁰F at shower # 2

Janitor's Closet # C2-34

105 CMR 451.353* Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Cells

105 CMR 451.103 Mattresses: Mattress damaged in cell # C214

Observations and Recommendations

1. The inmate population was 128 at the time of inspection.
2. Throughout the facility, bathrooms and shower areas were observed to be poorly maintained resulting in unsanitary conditions. Specifically, the 1st floor B Wing showers were in complete disrepair, including the exposure of drywall to chronic dampness in shower # 4. The CSP is concerned with the increased risk of disease transmission with the high number of inmates being exposed to such unsanitary conditions. We recommend ensuring all bathroom and shower areas are finished with smooth and easily cleanable surfaces as well as developing a higher frequency cleaning policy.
3. At the time of inspection, the CSP recommended numbering all showers, sinks and toilets throughout the institution. This will assist the CSP and Department of Correction employees to better recognize where issues exist.

This facility does not comply with the Department's Regulations cited above. In accordance with 105 CMR 451.404, please submit a plan of correction within 10 working days of receipt of this notice, indicating the specific corrective steps to be taken, a timetable for such steps, and the date by which correction will be achieved. The plan should be signed by the Superintendent or Administrator and submitted to my attention, at the address listed above.

To review the specific regulatory requirements please visit our website at www.mass.gov/dph/dcs and click on "Correctional Facilities" (available in both PDF and RTF formats).

To review the Food Establishment regulations please visit the Food Protection website at www.mass.gov/dph/fpp and click on "Retail Food". Then under "Regulations" click "2013 Food Code Merged with 105 CMR 590 and 2013 Food Code"

To review the Labeling regulations please visit the Food Protection website at www.mass.gov/dph/fpp and click on "Food Processing". Then under "Regulations" click "105 CMR 500.000: Good Manufacturing Practices for Food"

This inspection report is signed and certified under the pains and penalties of perjury.

Sincerely,



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