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David H. Tuttle, Superintendent  
Worcester County House of Corrections and Jail  
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Re: Plan of Correction - Worcester County House of Corrections and Jail, West Boylston

Dear Superintendent Tuttle:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Community Sanitation Program (CSP) has received your Plan of Correction in response to my inspection on November 7 and 8, 2023. After review, the CSP finds the plan appropriately addresses all the violations noted in the report with the following exceptions:

1. Please provide an estimated date of repair for the following unaddressed violations:
  - a. Inadequate floor space noted in housing units throughout the facility;
  - b. Wall vent blocked in cell # 108 in H Building; and
  - c. Wall vent blocked in cell # 381 and 383 in L Building.
2. The CSP appreciates the updated information concerning the ethernet cable extending through the window and doorway in shower # 104A of MIU, however we cannot approve any items that do not identify a reasonable time frame for repair.
3. Your Plan of Correction (POC) does not provide a date of completion for work which requires DCAMM funding and indicates several projects are pending funding until March 31, 2024. While the CSP understands you do not have control over DCAMM's allotment of funds, we cannot approve any item that does not identify a reasonable time frame for repair. The CSP remains concerned with the uncorrected violations and asks you to provide a plan describing the interim measures you have implemented to ensure the health and safety of inmates and staff. In addition, we ask to be kept apprised of the DCAMM funding progress.
4. Please clarify the estimated date of repair for the following violations:
  - a. Handwash sink dirty and paint damaged in cell # 3 of the Upper Disciplinary Unit in MAXI B;
  - b. All violations in Inmate Bathroom # 104 in the Modular Gym;
  - c. Handwash sink clogged in Breakroom # 175 in MIU;
  - d. Handwash sink out-of-order in Medical Storage # 172 in MIU;
  - e. Rusted toilet in Inmate WC # 169 in MIU; and
  - f. Wall damaged and heater rusted in Bathroom # 1 in the Garage/Transport Building.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter, should you have any questions please contact me at the address listed above.

Sincerely,



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