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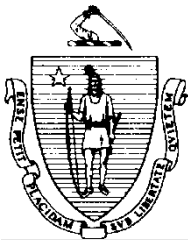
Greetings,

Pursuant to 105 CMR 451.403, please find the inspection report for Essex County Correctional, Lawrence, the Plan of Correction (POC) from the facility and the POC acceptance letter from the Division of Environmental Health Regulations and Standards (EHRS).

Sincerely,

Amy Riordan, MPH  
Senior Advisor, EHRS, BCEH

Cc: Robert Goldstein, MD, PhD, Commissioner, DPH (electronic copy)  
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January 6, 2025

Kevin F. Coppinger, Sheriff  
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Middleton, MA 01929 (electronic copy)

Re: Facility Inspection – Essex County Correctional Alternative Center, Lawrence

Dear Sheriff Coppinger:

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The inspection identified 67 total deficiencies; 41 new deficiencies under the Required Standards (.100 and .200 series), 10 repeat deficiencies under the Required Standards, 12 new deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series), and four repeat deficiencies under the Recommended Standards.

## Overview

**Section 1** provides details of all deficiencies, including repeat deficiencies, found during the inspection. These are categorized by Required Standards, Recommended Standards, or additional applicable regulatory standards.

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**Section 5** outlines observations and recommendations related to the inspection.

## **SECTION 1: Health and Safety Violations**

### **Deficiencies under the Required Standards (.100 and .200 series)**

41 new deficiencies and 10 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

#### **MAIN BUILDING**

1. Nurse's Office	Storage Closet	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower
2. Nurse's Office	Nurse's Bathroom	105 CMR 451.126	Hot Water: Hot water temperature 68°F at handwash sink
3. Control	Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Wall damaged
4. South Side 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	Female Staff Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling tiles water stained
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8. South Side 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Room # S203	105 CMR 451.141	Screens: Screen missing
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## **ANNEX**

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## **Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)**

12 new deficiencies and 4 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were identified during the inspection:

## **MAIN BUILDING:**

1. South Side 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor	Room # S305	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Fan dusty
2. South Side 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor	Room # S305	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling damaged
3. South Side 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Room # S211	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling damaged
4. North Side 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Barber Shop	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor tile missing
5. North Side 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Room # N205	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Hole in ceiling
6. North Side 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Barber Shop	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Unlabeled chemical bottle
7. North Side 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Room # N203	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Hole in ceiling tile

8.	North Side 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor	Room # N302	105 CMR 451.350	Structural Maintenance: Window damaged
9.	Maintenance Cage	Chemical Room	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Unlabeled chemical bottle
10.	Maintenance Cage	Maintenance Storage	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket
11.	Anti-Graffiti Garage		105 CMR 451.350	Structural Maintenance: Door not rodent and weathertight
12.	Basement	Laundry	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Washing machine # 1 leaking
13.	Basement	Laundry	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Standing fan dusty
14.	Basement	Laundry	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Mops drying over clean clothes
15.	Basement	Hallway (outside officer's weight room)	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling missing
16.	Inmate Gym		105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Padding damaged on all workout machines

## **SECTION 2: Areas Found to be in Compliance**

EHRIS inspected an additional 90 areas which were found to be in compliance.

## **Section 3: Areas EHRIS did not inspect**

EHRIS did not inspect 3 areas of the facility because they were either in use, locked, or under construction.

1.	South Side 3rd Floor	Property Room	Unable to Inspect	Locked
2.	South Side 3rd Floor	Storage Closet	Unable to Inspect	Locked
3.	Inmate Gym	Barbershop	Unable to Inspect	Locked

## **SECTION 4: Plan of Correction**

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. The Plan of Correction must include:

1. Specific corrective steps to be taken
2. A timetable for the corrective actions for larger projects
3. The date by which correction will be achieved
4. Any interim measures being implemented to ensure the health and safety of incarcerated individuals and facility staff
5. The plan should be signed by the Superintendent or Administrator and submitted to my attention, at the address listed above.

## **SECTION 5: Observations and Recommendations**

1. The inmate population was 107 at the time of the inspection.

To review the specific regulatory requirements please visit our website at [www.mass.gov/dph/dcs](http://www.mass.gov/dph/dcs) and click on "Correctional Facilities" [105 CMR 451.000](#) is available in both PDF and RTF formats. For more specific information about the food standards, you can download the merged food code, which can be found [here](#).

An inspection may also include observations of other conditions which could constitute a threat to the health or safety of inmates or employees, including but not limited to the standards set forth by the Department as follows, and report on such pursuant to 451.402(B). You can use these links below to review these standards:

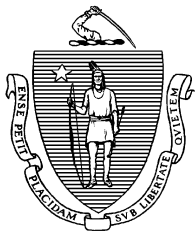
- [105 CMR 205.000](#): Minimum Standards Governing Medical Records and Conduct of Physical Examinations in Correctional Facilities
- [105 CMR 480.000](#): Minimum requirements for the Management of Medical or Biological Waste
- [105 CMR 500.000](#): Good Manufacturing Practices for Food

This inspection report is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Amy Riordan', with a stylized, cursive script.

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Senior Advisor, EHRS, BCEH



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March 5, 2025

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Re: Plan of Correction – Essex County Correctional Alternative Center, Lawrence

Dear Sheriff Coppinger:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health's, Bureau of Climate and Environmental Health (BCEH), Division of Environmental Health Regulations and Standards (EHRS) has not received your Plan of Correction (POC) in response to my inspection conducted on September 25, 2024. It is recommended that your POC be signed by the Environmental Health and Safety Officer and co-signed by you or the Administrator and emailed to my attention. The POC should include:

1. Specific corrective steps to be taken;
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If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Senior Advisor, EHRS, BCEH

cc: Steven Hughes, Director, EHRS, BCEH  
Heidi Mora, Superintendent  
Sean Gallagher, Director of Operations, EHSO

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# Essex County Sheriff's Department

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Amy Riordan  
Environmental Health Inspector  
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Dear Amy Riordan

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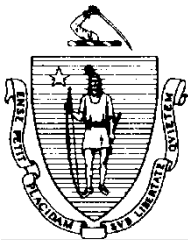
Thank You, Sean Gallagher

  
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2.	Nurse's Office	Nurse's Bathroom	105 CMR 451.126	Hot Water: Hot water temperature 68°F at handwash sink <b>Hot water set to 110 degrees 9/26/24</b>
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13.	North Side 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Room # N202	105 CMR 451.141	Screens: Screen not tight fitting <b>Screen repaired 9/27/24</b>
14.	North Side 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Room # N206	105 CMR 451.141	Screens: Screen not tight fitting <b>Screen repaired 9/27/24</b>
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32. Officer's Weight Room	Female Staff Bathroom	105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, toilet constantly running <b>Toilet replaced 11/19/24</b>
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			<b>paper towels replenished 9/25/24</b>
34. Officer's Weight Room	Male Staff Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Trash overflowing <b>Trash removed 9/25/24</b>
35. Officer's Weight Room	Male Staff Bathroom	105 CMR 451.117	Toilet Fixtures: Toilet fixtures dirty <b>Toilet cleaned 9/25/24</b>
36. Kitchen	Refrigerators	105 CMR 451.200*	Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment components not maintained in a state of good repair, mold on gaskets in refrigerator # 3. Standard found in 105 CMR 590.000; FC 4-501.11(B) <b>Gaskets replaced 10/15/24</b>
37. Kitchen	Main Area (freezer)	105 CMR 451.200*	Maintenance and Operation; Cleaning: Facility not properly cleaned: excessive ice build-up on floor in freezer. Standard found in 105 CMR 590.000; FC 6-501.12(A) <b>Walk in freezer to be replaced August 2025</b>

#### **ANNEX**

1. First Floor	Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling fan dusty <b>Fan cleaned 9/25/24</b>
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3. Basement	Inmate Bathroom	105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, sink # 7 constantly running <b>Sink repaired 9/28/24</b>

#### **Deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300 series)**

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5. North Side 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Room # N205	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Hole in ceiling <b>Ceiling repaired 10/1/24</b>
6. North Side 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Barber Shop	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Unlabeled chemical bottle <b>Chemical label applied 10/1/24</b>

7.	North Side 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Room # N203	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Hole in ceiling tile <b>Tile replaced 10/2/24</b>
8.	North Side 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor	Room # N302	105 CMR 451.350	Structural Maintenance: Window damaged <b>Window ordered expected date march 2025</b>
9.	Maintenance Cage	Chemical Room	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Unlabeled chemical bottle <b>Chemical label applied 10/1/24</b>
10.	Maintenance Cage	Maintenance Storage	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket <b>Mop removed and hung on hanger 9/25/24</b>
11.	Anti-Graffiti Garage		105 CMR 451.350	Structural Maintenance: Door not rodent and weathertight <b>Door seal replaced 11/23/24</b>
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14.	Basement	Laundry	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Mops drying over clean clothes <b>Mops removed to dry on mop hangers after washing 9/25/24</b>
15.	Basement	Hallway (outside officer's weight room)	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Ceiling missing <b>Ceiling removed due to leak in pipe replacement january 2025</b>
16.	Inmate Gym		105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Padding damaged on all workout machines <b>Equipment to be replaced june of 2025</b>

## **SECTION 2: Areas Found to be in Compliance**

EHRS inspected an additional 90 areas which were found to be in compliance.

## **Section 3: Areas EHRS did not inspect**

EHRS did not inspect 3 areas of the facility because they were either in use, locked, or under construction.

1.	South Side 3rd Floor	Property Room	Unable to Inspect	Locked
2.	South Side 3rd Floor	Storage Closet	Unable to Inspect	Locked
3.	Inmate Gym	Barbershop	Unable to Inspect	Locked

## **SECTION 4: Plan of Correction**

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. The Plan of Correction must include:

1. Specific corrective steps to be taken
2. A timetable for the corrective actions for larger projects

3. The date by which correction will be achieved
4. Any interim measures being implemented to ensure the health and safety of incarcerated individuals and facility staff
5. The plan should be signed by the Superintendent or Administrator and submitted to my attention, at the address listed above.

## **SECTION 5: Observations and Recommendations**

1. The inmate population was 107 at the time of the inspection.

To review the specific regulatory requirements please visit our website at [www.mass.gov/dph/dcs](http://www.mass.gov/dph/dcs) and click on "Correctional Facilities" [105 CMR 451.000](#) is available in both PDF and RTF formats. For more specific information about the food standards, you can download the merged food code, which can be found [here](#).

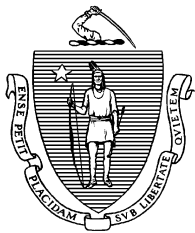
An inspection may also include observations of other conditions which could constitute a threat to the health or safety of inmates or employees, including but not limited to the standards set forth by the Department as follows, and report on such pursuant to 451.402(B). You can use these links below to review these standards:

- [105 CMR 205.000](#): Minimum Standards Governing Medical Records and Conduct of Physical Examinations in Correctional Facilities
- [105 CMR 480.000](#): Minimum requirements for the Management of Medical or Biological Waste
- [105 CMR 500.000](#): Good Manufacturing Practices for Food

This inspection report is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Sincerely,

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March 6, 2025

Kevin F. Coppinger, Sheriff  
Essex County Sheriff's Department Headquarters  
20 Manning Avenue  
Middleton, MA 01929 (electronic copy)

Re: Plan of Correction – Essex County Correctional Alternative Center, Lawrence

Dear Sheriff Coppinger:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Division of Environmental Health Regulations and Standards (EHRS) has received your Plan of Correction in response to my inspection on September 25, 2024. After review, the EHRS finds the plan addresses all the deficiencies noted.

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

Sincerely,

Amy Riordan, MPH  
Senior Advisor, EHRS, BCEH

Cc: Heidi Mora, Superintendent  
Sean Gallagher, EHSO

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