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October 30, 2026

To:
Shawn Jenkins, Commissioner, Department of Corrections (electronic copy)
Kiame Mahaniah, MD, MBA, Secretary, Executive Office of Health and Human Services (electronic copy)
Clerk, Massachusetts House of Representatives (electronic copy)
Clerk, Massachusetts Senate (electronic copy)
Captain Jason Graham, Compliance and Training (electronic copy)

Greetings,

Pursuant to 105 CMR 451.403, please find the inspection report for Hampshire County Jail and House of Correction Pre-Release Center, the Plan of Correction (POC) from the facility and the POC acceptance letter from the Division of Environmental Health Regulations and Standards (EHRS).

Sincerely,

Thomas Murphy
Environmental Analyst, EHRS, BCEH

Cc:
Robert Goldstein, MD, PhD, Commissioner, DPH (electronic copy)
Gina K. Kwon, Secretary, Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (electronic copy)
Merridith O'Leary, Commissioner, Northampton Health and Human Services (electronic copy)
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October 5, 2026

Patrick J. Cahillane, Sheriff
Hampshire County Jail and House of Correction
205 Rocky Hill Road
Northampton, MA 01060 (electronic copy)

Re: Facility Inspection – Hampshire County Jail and House of Correction, Pre-Release Center, Northampton

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (Department) Division of Environmental Health Regulations and Standards (EHRS) staff, Thomas Murphy, conducted an inspection of the Hampshire County Jail and House of Correction Pre-Release Center on September 24, 2026, accompanied by Captain Jason Graham, Compliance and Training, and Sergeant Larry Belbin, in accordance with Department regulations 105 CMR 451.000: Minimum Health and Sanitation Standards and Inspection Procedures for Correctional Facilities.

This report identifies the number of new and repeat deficiencies which remain uncorrected since the previous inspection. The inspection identified 1 total deficiency: 1 new deficiency under the Required Standards (.100 and .200 series).

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.

Section 2 provides information on areas that EHRS found to be compliant.

Section 3 documents the areas that EHRS did not inspect.

Section 4 provides information on submitting a Plan of Correction for the identified deficiencies.

Section 5 outlines observations and recommendations related to the inspection.

SECTION 1: Health and Safety Deficiencies

Deficiencies under the Required Standards (.100 and .200 series)
1 new deficiency was found during the inspection:

	Area	Sub Area # 1	Sub Area # 2	Regulation	Description of Deficiency
1.	Minimum Security Housing	2nd Floor	Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123	Maintenance: Ceiling damaged in shower

SECTION 2: Areas Found to be in Compliance

EHRS inspected 35 additional areas of the facility which were found to be in compliance.

SECTION 3: Areas EHRS did not inspect

EHRS inspected all areas of the facility.

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 which includes:

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. A signature by the Superintendent or Administrator responsible for the plan. The signed plan should be submitted to my attention, at the address listed above.

SECTION 5: Observations and Recommendations

1. The inmate population was 6 at the time of inspection.

To review the specific regulatory requirements please visit our website at www.mass.gov/dph/dcs and click on "Correctional Facilities" 105 CMR 451.000 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,



Thomas Murphy
Environmental Analyst, EHRS, BCEH

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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October 5th, 2026

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Executive Office Health & Human Services
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Bureau of Environmental Health
Community Sanitation Program
23 Service Center Road
Northampton, MA 01060

Re: Hampshire County Jail & HOC Inspection dated October 5th, 2026

Dear Mr. Murphy,

At your request the following items have been addressed, please refer to the enclosed documentation for the corrective actions that have been taken.

Sincerely yours,

Patrick J. Cahillane
Sheriff

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October 23, 2026

Patrick J. Cahillane, Sheriff
Hampshire County Jail and House of Correction
205 Rocky Hill Road
Northampton, MA 01060 (electronic copy)

Re: Plan of Correction - Hampshire County Jail and House of Correction, Pre-Release Center, Northampton

Dear Sheriff Cahillane:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Division of Environmental Health Regulations and Standards (EHRS) has received your Plan of Correction in response to an inspection on September 24, 2026. 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,

Thomas Murphy
Environmental Analyst, EHRS, BCEH

cc: Glen Sexton, Superintendent (electronic copy)
Captain Jason Graham, Compliance and Training (electronic copy)