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Thomas Neville, Superintendent  
Boston Pre-Release Center  
430 Canterbury Street  
Roslindale, MA 02131 (electronic copy)

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 October 13, 2022 accompanied by Matthew Knarr, Environmental Health and Safety Officer. Violations noted during the inspection are listed below including 16 repeat violations:

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Shanene Pierce  
Environmental Health Inspector, CSP, BEH

## **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 Area # A1-12*

No Violations Noted

*Property # A1-17*

No Violations Noted

*Holding Cell # A1-18*

No Violations Noted

*Weight Room # A1-19*

No Violations Noted

*Male Staff Locker Room # A1-29/30*

No Violations Noted

*Janitor's Closet # A1-31*

No Violations Noted

*Female Staff Locker Room # A1-32/33*

105 CMR 451.130

Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, hot water control not functioning properly **Forwarded to maintenance for review, possible need for DRM Plumber to resolve the issue. Anticipated repair date by 12/31/22**

*Mechanical Room # A1-36 (Medical Waste Storage)*  
No Violations Noted

*Storage/Warehouse # A1-38*  
No Violations Noted

*Maintenance # A1-39*  
No Violations Noted

*Tool Crib #A1-10*  
No Violations Noted

*Office # A1-41*  
No Violations Noted

### **Health Service Unit**

*Bathroom # A1-23*  
No Violations Noted

*Medical Lab # A1-24*  
No Violations Noted

*Exam Room # A1-25*  
No Violations Noted

*Dental Room # A1-26*  
105 CMR 451.353      Interior Maintenance: Upholstery damaged on patient chair **Chair will be desgarded and a replacement chair will be ordered or moved from an unoccupied area by 10/31/22**

### **Food Service Area**

The following Food Code violations listed in **BOLD** were observed to be corrected on-site.

*Walk-in Freezer (Outside)*  
No Violations Noted

*Bathroom*  
No Violations Noted

*Walk-in Freezer*  
No Violations Noted

*Walk-in Refrigerator*  
No Violations Noted

*Prep Table*  
No Violations Noted

*Dry Storage Room # A1-46*  
**FC 6-501.12(A)\***  
**Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Facility not cleaned as often as necessary, rodent droppings observed on floor under dry storage shelves**

FC 6-501.112	Maintenance and Operations; Removing Dead or Trapped Birds, Insects, Rodents and other Pest: Dead mouse observed on trap under dry storage shelves
Office # A1-47	
FC 6-501.11*	Maintenance and Operation; Repairing: Facility not in good repair, window does not open and close properly <b>Referred to maintenance- Window to be repaired by 11/30/22</b>
<i>Mechanical Warewashing Room</i>	
FC 6-501.11*	Maintenance and Operation; Repairing: Facility not in good repair, water dripping from ceiling tiles near warewash machine <b>Maintenance is aware, Institutional dish washer vents aren't operating properly. Outside vendor will need to be hired for repairs. Expected correction date by 1/31/22</b>
<i>Handwash Sink</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Traulsen Refrigerator</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Food Service Line</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Traulsen Warmer</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Rubbish Room (Chemical Storage) # A1-51</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Supply Room # A1-50</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Ice Machine</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Grease Hood</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Asber Freezer</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Inmate Dining Room # A1-52</i>	No violations Noted
<i>Staff Dining Room # A1-53</i>	No Violations Noted
<b><u>B Wing – P1 Unit</u></b>	
<i>Day Room</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Bathroom # B1-31</i>	
105 CMR 451.130	Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, handicapped toilet out-of-order <b>Replacement toilet is already on site at the facility, expected to be repaired by 10/31/22</b>

*Shower Room # B1-33*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Floor paint damaged and no longer cleanable throughout shower area **Maintenance is in the process of ordering the proper paint suitable for the amount of use/water consistently on the shower floor. Once a proper paint has been identified the floor will be resurfaced. Expected by 12/31/22**

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 3 and 7 **Forwarded to institutional Assignment officer to ensure cleaning is properly done by the inmate hired for that assigned area. Showers should be cleaned daily. Shower was cleaned on 10/19/22**

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Door frame paint damaged at entrance **Forwarded to maintenance, surface will be repainted by 11/30/22**

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Wall dirty in shower # 2 **Forwarded to institutional Assignment officer to ensure cleaning is properly done by the inmate hired for that assigned area. Showers should be cleaned daily. Shower was cleaned on 10/19/22**

105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Wall dirty in shower # 4 **Forwarded to institutional Assignment officer to ensure cleaning is properly done by the inmate hired for that assigned area. Showers should be cleaned daily. Shower was cleaned on 10/19/22**

*Janitor's Closet # B1-34*

105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Water pooling on floor **Water basin has been removed, a new gasket appears to be the issue. Maintenance made aware. Closet has been taken offline until the proper repairs can be completed. Expected repairs by 11/30/22**

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Water leaking from closet into hallway **Water basin has been removed, a new gasket appears to be the issue. Maintenance made aware. Closet has been taken offline until the proper repairs can be completed. Expected repairs by 11/30/22**

*Laundry Room*

No Violations Noted

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.321\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space, cells triple bunked **No cells are currently triple bunked. It should be noted that Department of Public Safety and Inspections authorizes the facility to have a max capacity of 250 inmates. It should also be noted that it is unlikely that the facility will ever need to be triple bunked and should explore the option of removing the top bunks.**

105 CMR 451.360 Protective Measures: Rodent droppings observed on floor in cell # B106 **The inmate occupying cell 106 has been advised to clean and maintain his personal space to include keeping all food secured in his locker inaccessible to rodents. Flynn Pest on site every 2 weeks continuing to combat any pest control issues. Droppings were cleaned on 10/19/22**

**C Wing – M1 Unit**

Unable to Inspect – Quarantine/Isolation Unit

**SECOND FLOOR**

**A Wing**

*Office # A2-6*

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	No Violations Noted
<i>Office # A2-7</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Office # A2-9</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Office # A2-10</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Closet # A2-8</i>	Unable to Inspect – Locked
<i>Multi-Purpose Room # A2-2</i> 105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Door hinge detached from wall <b>Door will be inspected by the institutional Locksmith and repaired by 10/31/22</b>
<i>Classroom # A2-4</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Classroom # A2-5</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Staff Bathroom # A2-34</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Office # A2-35</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Storage # A2-36</i>	Unable to Inspect – Locked
<i>Barber Shop # A2-11</i>	Unable to Inspect – Locked
<i>Work Release Offices</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Janitor's Closet # A2-12</i>	No Violations Noted
<b><u>Administration Area</u></b>	
<i>Janitor's Closet # A2-24</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Female Staff Bathroom # A2-25</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Male Staff Bathroom # A2-26</i>	No Violations Noted
<i>Kitchenette</i>	No Violations Noted

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Unable to Inspect – Locked

**B Wing – P2 Unit**

*Day Room*

No Violations Noted

*Bathroom # B2-31*

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling louver/grill cover missing in handicapped stall **Maintenance made aware, will be looked at to order a replacement cover, expected replaced by 11/30/22**

*Janitor's Closet # B2-32*

No Violations Noted

*Shower Room # B2-33*

105 CMR 451.123\*

Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 1, 2, 4, 5, and 7 **Forwarded to institutional Assignment officer to ensure cleaning is properly done by the inmate hired for that assigned area. Showers should be cleaned daily. Shower was cleaned on 10/19/22**

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Floor paint damaged and no longer cleanable throughout shower area **Maintenance is in the process of ordering the proper paint suitable for the amount of use/water consistently on the shower floor. Once a proper paint has been identified the floor will be resurfaced. Expected by 12/31/22**

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Wall dirty in shower # 1 and 5 **Forwarded to institutional Assignment officer to ensure cleaning is properly done by the inmate hired for that assigned area. Showers should be cleaned daily. Shower was cleaned on 10/19/22**

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling dirty throughout shower area, possible mold/mildew **Forwarded to institutional Assignment officer to ensure cleaning is properly done by the inmate hired for that assigned area. Showers should be cleaned daily. Shower was cleaned on 10/19/22**

*Laundry Room # B2-34*

No Violations Noted

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.321\*

Cell Size: Inadequate floor space, cells triple bunked **No cells are currently triple bunked. It should be noted that Department of Public Safety and Inspections authorizes the facility to have a max capacity of 250 inmates. It should also be noted that it is unlikely that the facility will ever need to be triple bunked and should explore the option of removing the top bunks.**

**C Wing – M2 Unit**

105 CMR 451.350

Structural Maintenance: Window does not open and close properly in hallway near stairwell # 4 **Referred to maintenance- Window to be repaired by 11/30/22**

*Computer Classroom*

No Violations Noted

*Laundry Room # C2-31*

No Violations Noted

*Bathroom # C2-32*

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged in shower # 1 **Maintenance made aware, ceiling will be painted by 11/30/22**

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Floor paint damaged and no longer cleanable throughout shower area **Maintenance is in the process of ordering the proper paint suitable for the amount of use/water consistently on the shower floor. Once a proper paint has been identified the floor will be resurfaced. Expected by 12/31/22**

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Wall dirty in shower # 3 **Forwarded to institutional Assignment officer to ensure cleaning is properly done by the inmate hired for that assigned area. Showers should be cleaned daily. Shower was cleaned on 10/19/22**

*Janitor's Closet # C2-34*

No Violations Noted

*Cells*

No Violations Noted

**Observations and Recommendations**

1. The inmate population was 46 at the time of inspection.
2. M1 Unit of C Wing was the COVID-19 quarantine/isolation area. There were 3 inmates housed in the M1 Unit.

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](http://www.mass.gov/dph/dcs) and click on "Correctional Facilities" (available in both PDF and RTF formats).

To review the Food Establishment Regulations or download a copy, please visit the Food Protection website at [www.mass.gov/dph/fpp](http://www.mass.gov/dph/fpp) and click on "Retail food". Then under DPH Regulations and FDA Code click "Merged Food Code" or "105 CMR 590.000 - State Sanitary Code Chapter X - Minimum Sanitation Standards for Food Establishments".

To review the Labeling regulations please visit the Food Protection website at [www.mass.gov/dph/fpp](http://www.mass.gov/dph/fpp) and click on "Food Protection Program regulations". Then under Food Processing 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,

Shanene Pierce  
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