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To: Shawn Jenkins, Commissioner, Department of Corrections (electronic copy)  
Kathleen E. Walsh, Secretary, Executive Office of Health and Human Services (electronic copy)  
Clerk, Massachusetts House of Representatives (electronic copy)  
Clerk, Massachusetts Senate (electronic copy)  
Andrew Mitzan, Environmental Health and Safety Officer (electronic copy)

Greetings,

Pursuant to 105 CMR 451.403, please find the inspection report for Bristol County Women's 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,

Patrick Wallace  
Environmental Health Inspector, EHRS, BCEH

Cc: Robert Goldstein, MD, PhD, Commissioner, DPH (electronic copy)  
Terrence Reidy, Secretary, Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (electronic copy)  
Stephanie Sloan, Director, City of New Bedford Health Department (electronic copy)  
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January 9, 2025

Paul Heroux, Sheriff  
Bristol County Sheriff's Office  
Dartmouth I.C.E. Facility  
400 Faunce Corner Road  
North Dartmouth, MA 02747 (electronic copy)

Re: Facility Inspection – Dartmouth Women's Center, North Dartmouth

Dear Sheriff Heroux:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (Department) Division of Environmental Health Regulations and Standards (EHRS) conducted an inspection of the Dartmouth Women's Center on September 25, 2024, accompanied by Lieutenant Andrew Mitzan, Environmental Health and Safety Officer, in accordance with Department regulations 105 CMR 451.000: Minimum Health and Sanitation Standards and Inspection Procedures for Correctional Facilities.

The inspection identified 20 total deficiencies: 4 deficiencies under the Required Standards (.100 and .200 series), 3 repeat deficiencies under the Required Standards, 5 deficiencies under the Recommended Standards (.300series), 8 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 1: Health and Safety Violations**

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

4 new deficiencies and 3 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were found during the inspection:

1.	Food Service	Kitchen	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment components not maintained in a state of good repair, refrigerator gaskets damaged on walk-in refrigerator. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.11(B).
2.	Food Service	Kitchen	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment not maintained in a state of good repair, floor paint damaged in walk-in refrigerator. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 4-501.11(A).
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4.	Food Service	Kitchen	105 CMR 451.200	Maintenance and Operation; Premises, Structure, Attachments, and Fixtures - Methods: Non-functional equipment not repaired or removed from premises, Traulsen refrigerator out-of-order. Standard found in 105 CMR 590; FC 6-501.114(A).
5.	B Wing	Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged
6.	C Wing	Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged
7.	D Wing	Bathroom	105 CMR 451.123*	Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged

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

5 new deficiencies and 8 repeat deficiencies (indicated by an \*) were identified during the inspection:

1.	A Wing	Hallway	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Floor paint damaged in Hallway
2.	A Wing	Bathroom Janitor's Closet	105 CMR 451.353	Interior Maintenance: Unlabeled chemical bottle
3.	A Wing	Day Room	105 CMR 451.353*	Interior Maintenance: Floor paint damaged
4.	A Wing	Cells	105 CMR 451.321*	Cell Size: Inadequate floor space in cells, cells double-bunked
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## **SECTION 2: Areas Found to be in Compliance**

EHRS inspected 18 additional areas of the facility which were found to be in compliance.

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

EHRS did not inspect 2 areas of the facility because they were either in use, locked, or under construction.

1. D Wing	Showers	Unable to inspect; In use
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## **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
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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 44 at the time of 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:

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

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SHERIFF

**January 15, 2025  
Department of Public Safety  
Division of Community Sanitation  
5 Randolph St  
Canton MA 02021**

**Dear Mr. Wallace,**

**Attached, please find the response from the Bristol County Sheriff's Office for the September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 DPH inspection of the Women's Center located on 400 Faunce Corner Road in Dartmouth.**

**Please be aware that the Bristol County Sheriff's Office is committed to ongoing improvements within this facility and is attempting to correct or has already corrected all areas of non-compliance.**

**Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 508-995-6400 ext. 2831.**

**Respectfully,**

**Lt. Andrew R. Mitzan  
Environmental Health and Safety**

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Corrective Action Report

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February 20, 2025

Paul Heroux, Sheriff  
Bristol County Sheriff's Office  
Dartmouth Women's Center  
400 Faunce Corner Road  
North Dartmouth, MA 02747 (electronic copy)

Re: Plan of Correction – Dartmouth Women's Center, North Dartmouth

Dear Sheriff Heroux:

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, EHRS finds the plan appropriately addresses all the deficiencies noted in the report with the following exceptions:

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  - b. Floor paint damaged in the Day Room of the D Wing.

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Sincerely,

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Environmental Health Inspector, EHRS, BCEH

cc: Joseph Oliver III, Acting Superintendent  
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SHERIFF

**April 22, 2025**

**Department of Public Safety  
Division of Community Sanitation, c/o Mr. Patrick Wallace, EHRS, BCEH  
5 Randolph St  
Canton MA 02021**

**Dear Mr. Wallace,**

**Attached, please find the response from the Bristol County Sheriff's Office for the September 25th, 2024 DPH inspection of the Women's Center at the Dartmouth Complex located on 400 Faunce Corner Road in Dartmouth.**

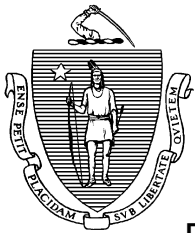
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**Respectfully,**

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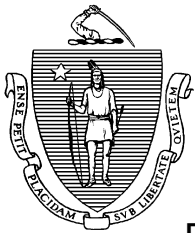
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April 24, 2025

Paul Heroux, Sheriff  
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Dartmouth Women's Center  
400 Faunce Corner Road  
North Dartmouth, MA 02747 (electronic copy)

Re: Plan of Correction – Dartmouth Women's Center, North Dartmouth

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