

**TEXAS COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS
JAIL RE-INSPECTION REPORT**

Facility Name: Liberty County Jail - The Geo Group, Inc.

Date:

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Item	Section	Paragraph	Comments
1	273	.2(12)	<p>Provide procedures that shall require that a qualified medical professional shall review as soon as possible any prescription medication a prisoner is taking when the prisoner is taken into custody.</p> <p>While reviewing medical files, it was determined that one inmate had their prescription medication reviewed after 8 days after being taken into custody and another inmate did not have documented review on the date of the inspection (24 days after intake).</p>
2	273	.3	<p>All medical instructions of designated physicians shall be followed.</p> <p>While reviewing medical files, it was determined that an inmate was not receiving medication in accordance with a doctor's order.</p>
3	273	.5(a)(2)	<p>Identification. Procedures for intake screening to identify inmates who are known to be or observed to be mentally disabled and/or potentially suicidal and procedures for compliance with Code of Criminal Procedure Article 16.22 and referrals to available mental health officials.</p> <p>While reviewing inmate medical files, it was determined that jail staff are not completing the form in its entirety by notating a CCQ match response and/or notating comments when answering "Yes" to questions. Jail staff are not making/documenting notifications, including magistrate as required by CCP 16.22, when required by the Screening Form for Suicide and Medical/Mental/Developmental Impairments.</p>
4	273	.5(c)(1)	<p>Mental History Check. Each jail shall check each inmate upon intake into the jail against the Department of State Health Services CCQ system to determine if the inmate has previously received state mental healthcare, unless the inmate is being housed as an out of state inmate or a federal inmate on a contractual basis.</p> <p>While reviewing inmate medical files, it was determined that CCQ match responses are not being kept on file. Along with not documenting the match response, there is no evidence that CCQ queries are being performed.</p>
5	275	.6	<p>For the protection of corrections personnel and inmates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(1) any items brought into the security perimeter of the facility by anyone should be searched for contraband;(2) any inmate who leaves the security perimeter of the facility shall be thoroughly searched for contraband before reentering the security perimeter;(3) there shall be regular and irregular searches of the entire facility area for contraband which shall be noted in a permanent facility record; and(4) searches for contraband should be timed so that they cannot be anticipated by the inmates. <p>During the walkthrough, numerous contraband items were observed by the inspector. Items observed included coin change, bobby pins, pills, razor blades, Avon lipstick, paperclip, homemade sterno flame, tattoo gun, water weights, and pornographic photos.</p>

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6 279 .3 Preventive maintenance, to include necessary repairs, shall be conducted to ensure a safe, secure, and sanitary facility.

During a walkthrough of the facility, significant maintenance issues were observed. The following is a list of areas identified:

3 Dorm: No tamper/vandal resistant showerhead. Instead it had a showerhead that just screwed into place. This inspector was able to remove the showerhead with just a few turns. Exposed electrical wires were observed from the top of the exit sign in the cell. Loose tile on restroom partition.

4 Dorm: Light out x 1; Loose tile on restroom partition.

2 Dorm: No tamper/vandal resistant showerhead. Light housing damaged x1

1 Dorm: Light out x 1, loose tile on the restroom partition, shower tile missing, graffiti

Holding 1: Toilet button leaked when flushed

Holding 2: Toilet button leaked when flushed

Detox 2: Missing screws in light housing to the point it was not secure

Kitchen: Hole in kitchen ceiling next to access panel. Recent repairs had been performed to the HVAC unit in the same location. Maintenance staff stated that they had stepped through the ceiling upon arrival of this inspector.

Sep 2: Electrical outlet cover missing

J: Non detention grade screws in door lock with a screw loose.

K: Door wires exposed

G: Shower curtain unsecured and down

G4: No cell desk

G11: Graffiti

G12: No cold water, light fixture damaged

E: Dayroom light

E10: Door lock mechanism missing

E6: Damaged light fixture

N: Sink #1 no hot water, Sink #2 no cold water

P2: Door lock mechanism jammed

Q: Shower grate unsecured

While walking in the female housing units, it was observed that all the general population units had industrial drum fans. The HVAC system was not blowing air at the proper rate due to the HVAC lines needing to be cleaned/unclogged.

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