

Alameda County taxpayers should be outraged at the irresponsible, profit-driven healthcare Corizon is providing with their dollars and in their name.

Corizon had ten months to correct its flaws after signing the \$8 million settlement with the family of Martin Harrison in February 2015. The settlement was supposed to ensure that Corizon's care got better so that what happened to Mr. Harrison would not happen to any other inmate under Corizon's care.

Instead Corizon has only made the situation worse.

By laying off dedicated and experienced LVNs, Corizon threw Alameda County's jails into disarray, sacrificed hundreds of years of combined experience and institutional knowledge, and unnecessarily put inmates at risk for weeks, even months. Our members report deteriorating conditions: staff shortages are resulting in delays of care that may violate patients' rights. Inmates are waiting hours for medications that are supposed to be dispensed first thing in the morning. Schedules show nearly half the work shifts unfilled, caregivers are forced to rush through their duties, and medical supplies have run short. Staff are having to bring in basic supplies like bandages and thermometers from home to ensure inmates are getting basic care.

Corizon created this problem, but the company has failed to take it seriously or take swift action to fix it.

NUHW members are committed to the fight for greater transparency and accountability, increased community oversight, and better staffing at Santa Rita Jail and Glenn Dyer Detention Facility.

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