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File Number:

I5315-117-19

Followup Inspection

Date:

January 24, 2019

Business
Name:

Nowata County Jail

Address:

229 N Maple

City:

Nowata

Zip:

74048

County:

Nowata

Phone:

918-273-2287

Owner:

Nowata County

Mailing
Address:

229 N Maple

City:

Nowata

State:

OK

Zip:

74048

Phone:

918-223-2287

Previous File Number:

I5315-057-19

Previous Inspection Date:

January 11, 2019

Comments

Previous Deficiencies Corrected:

No

The electrical wiring deficiency and documenting and practicing quarterly fire drills have been corrected. No fire alarm is in place yet as required in which a plan of correction was submitted to OSFM on this deficiency. A fire watch is still in place and will remain in place until a fire alarm system is installed and approved and working by OSFM. Fire watches are being conducted and logged and documented as required.

Agent:

[Signature]

Supervisor review:

[Signature]

Customer:

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Review date:

January 24, 2019

Email Address:

tbarnett@nowatasheriff.org lbigeagle@nowatasheriff.org jails@health.ok.gov

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Oklahoma State Department of Health
Creating a State of Health

May 22, 2018

CERTIFIED MAIL
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Jail Administrator
Nowata County Jail
229 N Maple
Nowata OK 74048

Dear Sheriff Freeman:

An inspection was conducted at your facility by a member of the Jail Inspection Division. This inspection identified violations of the Oklahoma Administrative Code (OAC) in Title 310, Chapter 670, Jail Standards.

Pursuant to Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes, at Section 193(B), you are provided a report of the inspection in the enclosed *list of deficiencies ... and specific proposals for their solution*. You are provided notice the jail is not in substantial compliance.

Pursuant to Title 74 O.S. Section 194, *[if] the deficiencies listed in the report have not been corrected, within sixty (60) days after delivery of the report, the Commissioner of Health shall be authorized to file a complaint with the Attorney General or the district attorney.*

Sincerely,

Scott Chisholm
Program Manager
Jail Inspection Division

Enc. Statement of Deficiencies

c Nowata County Commissioners
Tina Johnson, Deputy Commissioner, Community & Family Health Services
Nowata County Health Administrator

OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
DETENTION FACILITY INSPECTION DIVISION
LIST OF DEFICIENCIES AND PROPOSALS FOR SOLUTION



DETENTION FACILITY:	Nowata County	INSPECTION DATE:	April 4, 2018
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REPORT DATE May 22, 2018	60-DAY CORRECTION DATE 60 Days from Notice of Delivery	CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT# 7016 2140 0000 1046 7948
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OAC: 310:670	STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES (EACH DEFICIENCY MUST BE PRECEDED BY FULL REGULATORY IDENTIFYING INFORMATION)	PROPOSALS FOR SOLUTION [74 O.S. § 193(B)(1)]
5-2(28)(D)	<p>INITIAL COMMENTS</p> <p>The Oklahoma State Department of Health conducted an annual inspection and investigation of complaints and incidents (SAS-2018-012), on April 4, 2018. The census was 27.</p> <p>Based on the violation(s) cited below, the Detention Facility is not in substantial compliance.</p> <p>The following deficient practice(s) were identified:</p> <p>Security and control The facility administrator shall develop and implement written policies and procedures for the safety, security and control of staff, prisoners and visitors. Policies and procedures shall address at least the following:</p> <p>.....</p> <p>(28) The Department shall be notified no later than the next working day if any of the following incidents occur: (D) Serious suicide attempt, defined as life threatening or requiring transfer to outside medical facility;</p> <p>This Rule was not met as evidenced by:</p> <p>Incident SAS-2018-012 occurred on February 13, 2018, and wasn't reported until February 19, 2018.</p>	<p>Pursuant to Title 74, Section 193(B)(1), the Department proposes the following solution:</p> <p>It is recommended that the Detention Facility administrator do the following :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Conduct staff interviews to assess why the policy was not followed. 2) Ensure the policy reflects the current expected practice and revise as needed. 3) If the policy is revised or if the assessment determines staff knowledge of the policy is incomplete, conduct training of Detention Facility staff on the policy. 4) Review and adopt further corrective actions as needed based on observations and interviews.

**OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
PROTECTIVE HEALTH SERVICES
JAIL INSPECTION DIVISION**



INVESTIGATION REPORT C-2018-005

Date Of Investigation:

April 4, 2018

Facility:

Nowata County Jail

ALLEGATION 1: No general medical care for inmate (complainant did say inmate had been taken to doctor).

ALLEGATION 2: Mold in facility.

ALLEGATION 3: Hair found in food.

On January 9, 2018, a complaint(s) was received regarding this Jail. An investigation of the complaint(s) pursuant to Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes, Section 192, and Title 310 of the Oklahoma Administrative Code, Chapter 670, *Jail Standards* was conducted on April 4, 2018. The findings of the investigation are as follows:

ALLEGATION #1 FINDINGS:

THIS ALLEGATION WAS:

☐ Substantiated ☒ Unsubstantiated ☐ Substantiated But Previously Corrected

Based on the investigation of this allegation a violation of the Jail Standards ☐ was ☒ was not] identified.

Based on interview with the sheriff, the jail has a doctor that the inmates will see after a valid written request has been received by jail staff. Record review for Inmate #1 did not find any documentation for medical care.

ALLEGATION #2 FINDINGS:

THIS ALLEGATION WAS:

☐ Substantiated ☒ Unsubstantiated ☐ Substantiated But Previously Corrected

Based on the investigation of this allegation a violation of the Jail Standards ☐ was ☒ was not] identified.

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Based on observation and interview, no mold was found in the facility.

ALLEGATION #3 FINDINGS:

THIS ALLEGATION WAS:

☐ Substantiated ☒ Unsubstantiated ☐ Substantiated But Previously Corrected

Based on the investigation of this allegation a violation of the Jail Standards ☐ was ☒ was not] identified.

Based on interview with the inmates, there were no complaints about the food.

DISPOSITION: No further action required.

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1. Article Addressed to:

Attention: Jail Administrator
Nowata County Jail
229 N Maple
Nowata OK 74048



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Domestic Return Receipt

From: [James Joslin](#)
To: [Scott Kennedy](#); [Alicia D Dickerson](#); [Cindy K Cole](#); [Rocky D McElvany](#); [Tony D Sellars](#)
Subject: Nowata County Jail and Carbon Monoxide
Date: Friday, March 01, 2019 9:23:43 AM

We've been contacted by the Sheriff. I'm about to call her.

From the story:

The sheriff's office says they have discovered that the heating unit kicked on Thursday afternoon and that's when NCSO dispatchers began to notice a smell and became nauseous and light headed. Undersheriff Mark Kirschner called ONG and they turned off the gas.

NCSO says all the inmates were moved to the Washington County Jail and are currently at their facility in Bartlesville.

The Nowata Fire Department detected carbon monoxide in the front area of the jail Thursday night, but the area showed to be free of gases around midnight.

The exact cause of the leak has yet to be determined, but NCSO believes it may have to do with the sewer lines and exhaust fans.

A carbon monoxide detector has been installed in the front area of the offices. The sheriff's office is working to get more detectors installed throughout the jail.

<https://ktul.com/news/local/nowata-county-sheriffs-office-releases-update-after-carbon-monoxide-leak-at-jail>

Regards,
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Follow this link to provide feedback and comments:

https://osdhphs.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8e11RUgrVu6L96B

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OKLAHOMA STATE FIRE MARSHAL

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Emergency Order of Repair

Date: January 11, 2019

Special File Number: I5315-058-19

Referenced file number: I5315-057-19

Business Name: Nowata County Jail

Address: 229 N Maple Street

City: Nowata

Zip: 74048

County: Nowata

Phone: 918-273-2287

Occupancy Type: I-3

Occupant load: 13

During the inspection of this facility, the following conditions are noted which pose a significant hazard to the life, safety, and well-being of the occupants:

- ☒ Fire alarm in trouble/ inoperative ☐ Sprinkler system inoperative ☐ Blocked/ inoperative exits
- ☐ Hood suppression system inoperative ☐ Hazardous storage ☐ Over crowding
- ☐ Hazardous interior finish ☐ Hazardous mechanical condition ☒ Hazardous electrical condition

Other: No fire alarm has been installed in this facility.
Electrical wiring in A block shower/bathroom area exposed.

A fire alarm or sprinkler system inoperative condition will require the implementation immediately of a FIRE WATCH.

A Plan of Correction outlining the processes and schedule of correction shall be sent to the OSFM within 24 hours.

Agent:

Supervisor review:

Review date:

January 12, 2019

Representative:

Email address:

tbarnett@nowatasheriff.org lbigeagle@nowatasheriff.org jails@health.ok.gov

Emergency Order of Repair

Date:

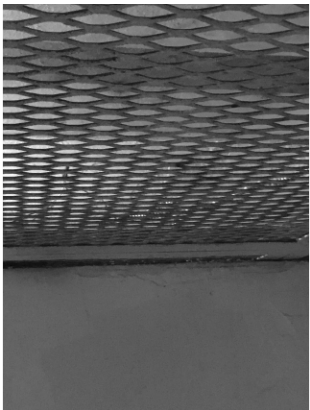
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Oklahoma State Fire Marshal's Office
Official Interpretation and Code Directive 2013-3

Fire Watch Requirements
Effective June 1, 2013

This directive is to provide clarification and guidance in the usage of an approved fire watch.

The Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission (OUBCC) adopted the 2009 edition of the International Fire Code (IFC), effective November 01, 2012. The adopted IFC, section 901.7 states that "Where a required fire protection system is out of service, the fire department and the fire code official shall be notified immediately and, where required by the fire code official, the building shall either be evacuated or an approved fire watch shall be provided for all occupants left unprotected by the shutdown until the fire protection system has been returned to service.

"Where utilized, fire watches shall be provided with at least one approved means for notification of the fire department and their only duty shall be to perform constant patrols of the protected premises and keep watch for fires"

To provide clarification:

- 1) Fire watch personnel shall patrol the building, floor or site to observe the environment for fire hazards. Fire watch personnel shall have no other assigned duties.
- 2) Fire watch personnel shall have a reliable means to notify the fire department in the event of an emergency. The means of communication may be site dependent and a conversation with the local fire department may be necessary to establish a preferred method. The means of communication shall be specifically addressed in the required Fire Safety Plans per IFC, 2009 ed. Section 404.3.2.

This directive is in compliance with Title 74 O.S., § 324.8 "Uniform Force and Effect – Authority of Cities, Towns and Counties" in that nothing in this directive shall prevent or take away from any city, town or county, the authority to enact and enforce rules containing higher standards and requirements than those provided herein .

Robert Doke
State Fire Marshal

Representative:



Date:

1-11-19



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Detention/ Correctional Facility Inspection Report

Invoiced: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Classification type:

Jail

File Number: I5315-057-19 Date: January 11, 2019 Agent: J Applegate

Facility Name: Nowata County Jail

Address: 229 N Maple City: Nowata Zip: 74048

Phone: 918-273-2287 County: Nowata

Owner: County of Nowata

Mailing Address: 229 N Maple City: Nowata Zip: 74048

Number of Stories: 2 Construction type: 2A Area: 2000

Occupancy condition: Condition 5 Inmate count: 13 Occupant Load: 67

Occupancy load will be calculated by DOC and/or State Department of Health.

If the City/ County facility is over capacity, a Plan of Correction shall be filed with OSFM and OSDH within 24 hours

Last inspector(s): J Applegate Date of last inspection: February 9, 2018

Inspection Type: ☒ Annual ☐ Special ☐ Other Number of buildings: 1

Fire Protection Systems

1. Is a kitchen hood and duct suppression system in use?
NFPA 101-9.2.3 ☐ N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No

2. Last inspection date of hood and duct suppression system.
IFC 904.11.6 - 904.11.6.3 ☐ N/A October 2018

Company: Firex Inc License #: OK-289

3. Is the manual pull accessible and free of obstructions?
IFC 904.11.1 ☐ N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No

4. Is a type K fire extinguisher available in kitchen?
IFC 904.11.5.1 ☐ N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No

5. Are kitchen staff trained in the proper use of portable fire extinguishers
and the kitchen hood and duct suppression system? NFPA 101- 23.7.1.4 ☐ N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No

Fire Protection (cont)

6. Are an adequate amount of fire extinguishers provided?
IFC 906.3.1 through 906.3.4

☒ Yes ☐ No

7. Are fire extinguishers properly mounted?
IFC 906.5 through 906.9.3

☒ Yes ☐ No

8. When were fire extinguishers last serviced?
IFC 901.6.1

January 2018

Company: Firex Inc

License #: OK 289

9. Is a fire sprinkler system in service?
IFC 903.2.6

☐ Yes ☒ No

Company: N/A

Date of last inspection:

If the sprinkler system is nonfunctioning, a Fire Watch shall be in effect until the system is repaired. A Plan of Correction shall be submitted to the OSFM within 24 hours.

10. Do sprinkler system gauges reflect proper pressure?

☐ Yes ☒ No

11. Pressure shown on gauge at the base on the riser:

Pressure: N/A

12. Is the fire department connection visible and accessible?
IFC 912.2.1

☒ N/A ☐ Yes ☐ No

13. Are sprinkler valves secured and monitored? IFC 903.4

☒ N/A ☐ Yes ☐ No

14. Is a sprinkler head wrench and an extra supply of sprinkler heads available? NFPA 101-9.7.1.1

☒ N/A ☐ Yes ☐ No

15. Is a fire alarm system in service? IFC 907.2.6.3

☐ Yes ☒ No

Company: N/A

Date of last inspection:

If the fire alarm system is nonfunctioning, a Fire Watch shall be in effect until the system is repaired. A Plan of Correction shall be submitted to the OSFM within 24 hours.

16. Is a lockout device installed on the fire alarm breaker?

☐ Yes ☒ No

17. Is access control installed?

☐ Yes ☒ No

18. Is a fire alarm system monitored? IFC 907.7.5

☒ N/A ☐ Yes ☐ No

19. Monitoring Company: N/A

20. Is fire alarm panel clear of supervisory and trouble signals?
NFPA 101-9.6.1.3

☒ N/A ☐ Yes ☐ No

Smoking

21. Are no smoking rules established? IFC 310.1 / 21 O.S. Ss. 1247

☒ Yes ☐ No

22. Are no smoking signs posted? IFC 310.3

☒ Yes ☐ No

Exits

23. Are exit doors equipped and operating properly? NFPA 101-7.2.1.1.1 ☒ Yes ☐ No
24. Are exits signs and emergency lights in place and operating properly? NFPA 101- 7.9.1.1, 7.10.1.2. ☒ Yes ☐ No
25. Are any exits blocked? NFPA 101-7.1.10.1 ☐ Yes ☒ No
26. Are corridors unobstructed? IFC 1018.3 ☒ Yes ☐ No
27. Are pod emergency escape doors accessible and operable? NFPA 101-23.2.4.2 ☒ N/A ☐ Yes ☐ No
28. Are keys necessary for egress able to be identified by both touch and sight by employees? NFPA 101 - 23.7.5 ☒ Yes ☐ No

Mechanical

29. Are mechanical, electrical and boiler rooms free of storage? IFC 315.2.3 ☒ Yes ☐ No
30. Are any portable heating devices in use? NFPA 101-23.5.2.2 / O.A.R. 310.670-5-6(26) ☐ Yes ☒ No
31. Is equipment vented properly? NFPA 101-9.2.2 ☒ Yes ☐ No
32. Is equipment properly enclosed? NFPA 101-9.2.2 ☒ Yes ☐ No
33. What fuel source powers the boilers/water heaters? ☒ Natural Gas ☒ Electric ☐ Propane
34. Is proper separation provided from combustibles and heat producing equipment? IFC 305.1 ☒ Yes ☐ No

Electrical

35. Is the clothes dryer lint trap cleaned daily and are electrical motors free of oil,dirt, waste and debris? IFC 605.8 ☐ N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No
36. Is emergency illumination provided in the electrical equipment room? IFC 605.2 ☐ N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No
37. Are electrical panels unobstructed and accessible? IFC 605.3 ☒ Yes ☐ No
38. Is any exposed wiring or open junction boxes observed? IFC 605.6 ☒ Yes ☐ No
39. Are extension cords being used in lieu of permanent wiring? IFC 605.5 ☐ Yes ☒ No
40. Are power strips used properly? IFC 605.4.2 ☐ N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No

Detection Systems

41. Are smoke detectors installed in all sleeping areas?
NFPA 101-23.3.4.4 and NFPA 101-9.6.2.10.1.2 ☒ Yes ☐ No
42. Are smoke detectors in proper operating condition?
NFPA 101-23.3.4.4.2 ☒ Yes ☐ No
43. Do smoke detectors report to a constantly attended location?
NFPA 101-23.3.4.3.2.1 (3)a&b ☐ Yes ☒ No
44. Are cell vents free of obstructions? NFPA 101-23.3.4.4.2.2 ☒ Yes ☐ No
45. Is a smoke control system in service?
IFC 909.16,1 ☐ Yes ☒ No
46. Is the smoke control system operational? ☒ N/A ☐ Yes ☐ No
IFC 909.20-909.20.5
47. Is carbon Dioxide detection installed? ☒ N/A ☐ Yes ☐ No
48. Is carbon monoxide system installed? ☒ N/A ☐ Yes ☐ No
If the smoke control system is nonfunctioning, a Fire Watch shall be in effect until the system is repaired. A Plan of Correction shall be submitted to the OSFM within 24 hours.

General Fire Safety

49. Is an emergency plan established?
NFPA 101-23.7.1.3 ☐ Yes ☒ No
50. Do the fire evacuation plans meet the IFC sections 404.3.1.1 through 404.3.1.9? ☐ Yes ☒ No
51. Has the emergency plan been reviewed within the last twelve months?
NFPA 101-23.7.1.3.2 ☐ Yes ☒ No
52. Has the emergency plan been practiced?
NFPA 101-23.7.1.3.1 ☐ Yes ☒ No
53. Has the facility prepared a fire safety plan.
IFC 404.3.2.1 through 404.3.2.7 ☐ Yes ☒ No
54. Can inmates be evacuated to an enclosed area of proper size or to a separate smoke compartment? NFPA-101-23.2.7.2 ☐ Yes ☒ No
55. Are hazardous areas properly protected?
NFPA 101- Table 23.3.2.1 ☒ Yes ☐ No
56. Are cells free of accumulations of combustibles?
NFPA 101-23.7.2 ☒ Yes ☐ No
57. Is a backup generator being used for auxiliary power?
IFC-604.2.16 ☒ Yes ☐ No
58. How often is the generator tested?
IFC 604.3.1 ☐ N/A
59. Are non-combustible trash cans used? ☒ Yes ☐ No
60. Are fire drills documented? ☐ Yes ☒ No Date of last fire drill:

"Deficiencies"

1. Fire alarm system has not been installed in this facility. Must obtain fire alarm system for this facility. Mandatory fire watch will be implemented and required for this facility until fire alarm system is installed, approved and working. Must submit plans to OSFM for fire alarm plan approval.
2. Electrical wiring in A cell bathroom/shower area is exposed in the upper ceiling area. Fix/repair this wiring to required code standards.
3. Practice and document quarterly fire drills on each shift as required and document these drills.
4. Prepare an emergency plan and have this plan approved. This plan must also be practiced and documented.

"Note"

Other agencies may have additional requirements.

A copy of this report will sent to jail standards.

☐ Approved - No Violations

☒ Approved - Upon Correction of Violations

Number of violations:

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☐ Not Approved, follow-up inspection by the OSFM needed prior to occupancy.

Agent:



Supervisor review:



Review date:

January 12, 2019

A plan of correction shall be sent to the OSFM within:


24 hours

Send Plan of Correction to:

Oklahoma State Fire Marshal, 2401 NW. 23rd St., Suite 4, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73107 or

Fax to: 405-522-5028

Administrator



Email Address:

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March 12, 2018

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Jail Administrator
Nowata County Jail
229 N Maple
Nowata OK 74048

Dear Sheriff Hadley:

A recent inspection was conducted at your facility by a member of the Jail Inspection Division. The results of the findings are attached.

Sincerely,

Scott Chisholm
Program Manager
Jail Inspection Division

c Nowata County Commissioners
Tina Johnson, Deputy Commissioner, Community & Family Health Services
Nowata County Health Administrator

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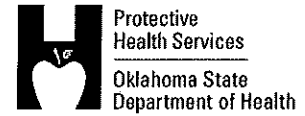


JAIL: Nowata	INSPECTION DATE: October 24, 2017
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REPORT DATE March 12, 2018	60-DAY CORRECTION DATE 60 Days from Notice of Delivery	CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT# 7015 1520 0001 8887 9297
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OAC: 310:670	STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES (EACH DEFICIENCY MUST BE PRECEDED BY FULL REGULATORY IDENTIFYING INFORMATION)	PROPOSALS FOR SOLUTION [74 O.S. § 193(B)(1)]
5-2(28)(D)	<p>INITIAL COMMENTS</p> <p>The Oklahoma State Department of Health conducted an Serious Attempted Suicide (SAS-2017-014) investigation on 10/24/17. Should have recorded the census.</p> <p>Based on the violation(s) cited below, the jail is not in substantial compliance.</p> <p>The following deficient practice(s) were identified:</p> <p>SECURITY AND CONTROL</p> <p>The facility administrator shall develop and implement written policies and procedures for the safety, security and control of staff, prisoners and visitors. Policies and procedures shall address at least the following:</p> <p>(28) The Department shall be notified no later than the next working day if any of the following incidents occur:</p> <p>(D) Serious suicide attempt, defined as life threatening or requiring transfer to outside medical facility.</p> <p>This Rule was not met as evidenced by:</p> <p>Based on record review, it was determined the facility failed to notify the department within one working day after the incident occurred.</p> <p>Findings:</p> <p>1. Record reviewed documented that the incident occurred on June 10, 2017. The facility did not notify Department until June 16, 2017.</p>	<p>Pursuant to Title 74, Section 193(B)(1), the Department proposes the following solution:</p> <p>It is recommended that the jail administrator do the following :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Conduct staff interviews to assess why the policy was not followed. 2) Ensure the policy reflects the current expected practice and revise as needed. 3) If the policy is revised or if the assessment determines staff knowledge of the policy is incomplete, conduct training of jail staff on the policy. 4) Review and adopt further corrective actions as needed based on observations and interviews.

OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
PROTECTIVE HEALTH SERVICES
JAIL INSPECTION DIVISION



INVESTIGATION REPORT SAS-2017-014

Date of Investigation: October 24, 2017
Facility: Nowata County Jail

INCIDENT REPORT OBSERVATIONS:

Type of Incident: Serious Attempted Suicide
Date of Occurrence: 06/10/17
Date Reported: 06/16/17
Reporting Party: Billie Lafferty

Incident Description: The facility's incident report described the incident as follows:

Inmate #1 left a suicide note for his family and then tied a blanket around his neck to hang himself. One of the inmates that was in the cell heard a noise and went to see what was going on and saw him there and started to yell for help as he was trying to lift him up. Jailer Robert Kerr, Brandon Carter and Officer Billy Bright got him down by cutting the blanket. And brought him up front to be checked out by EMS. The ems crew advised that he was fine and he was put on suicide watch. He was also taken to Four County Mental Health to see the doctor and was put on some meds. We already had a medical release from him to be able to get meds and take to his doctor on file. He had also signed one for his sister to get some meds and bring them up here to us but she never did.

On October 24, 2017, an investigation pursuant to Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes, Section 192, and Title 310 of the Oklahoma Administrative Code, Chapter 670, *Jail Standards* was conducted. The findings of the investigation are as follows:

FACTS DETERMINED BY THE INVESTIGATION:

Based on the investigation of this incident a violation of the Jail Standards ☒ was ☐ was not] identified.

The incident occurred on June 10, 2017, and was not reported to the Department until June 16, 2017.

DISPOSITION: A report of deficiency will be issued pursuant to Title 74, Section 193(B).