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Tanja Gray, Superintendent  
 Boston Pre-Release Center  
 430 Canterbury Street  
 Roslindale, MA 02131

Re: Boston Pre-Release Center Facility Inspection

Dear Superintendent Gray:

In accordance with M.G.L. c. 111, §§ 5, 20, and 21, and Department of Public Health 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 1999 Food Code; and 105 CMR 205.000 Minimum Standards Governing Medical Records and the Conduct of Physical Examinations in Correctional Facilities; I conducted an inspection of the Boston Pre-Release Center on January 25, 2013 accompanied by Laura Clarke, EHSO, Brian Brady, Industrial Instructor II and Paul Halfmann, Assistant Director of the Community Sanitation Program. Violations noted are listed below (\* *indicates conditions documented on previous inspection reports*).

**Front Lobby**

*Lobby*

No Violations Noted

*Visitor's Room A1-4*

No Violations Noted

*Female Visitor's Bathroom A1-5*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Male Visitor's Bathroom A1-6*

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty  
 105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Sink dirty

*Janitor's Closet A1-7*

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Wet mop left in bucket  
 105 CMR 451.130 Plumbing: No backflow preventer on slop sink

**A Wing First Floor**

*Hallway*

No Violations Noted

*Female Staff Bathroom A1-9*

No Violations Noted

*Male Staff Bathroom A1-10*

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Intake Holding A1-12*

No Violations Noted

*Closet A1-17*

No Violations Noted

*Holding Cell A1-18*

No Violations Noted

*Right Weight Room*

105 CMR 451.353\*

Interior Maintenance: Vent dirty

105 CMR 451.353\*

Interior Maintenance: Bench no longer easily cleanable, cover damaged

105 CMR 451.353\*

Interior Maintenance: Wall cover edge detached

*Left Weight Room*

105 CMR 451.353\*

Interior Maintenance: Bench no longer easily cleanable, cover damaged

105 CMR 451.353\*

Interior Maintenance: Vent cover missing

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Ceiling tile damaged

*Male Staff Locker Room A1-29/30*

105 CMR 451.126

Hot Water: Hot water temperature recorded at 95<sup>0</sup>F

105 CMR 451.130\*

Hot Water: Shower water temperature recorded at 119<sup>0</sup>F

*Janitor's Closet A1-31*

No Violations Noted

*Female Staff Locker Room A1-32/33*

105 CMR 451.123\*

Maintenance: Standing water observed on shower room floor, floor not sloped properly

105 CMR 451.126

Hot Water: Hot water temperature recorded at 90<sup>0</sup>F

105 CMR 451.130\*

Hot Water: Shower water temperature recorded at 119<sup>0</sup>F

*Emergency Electrical Room A1-34A*

No Violations Noted

*Emergency Electrical Room A1-34*

No Violations Noted

*Electrical Room A1-35*

No Violations Noted

*Mechanical Room A1-36 (Medical Waste Storage)*

No Violations Noted

*Storage/Warehouse A1-38*

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Standing water left in bucket

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Wet mop left in bucket

*Tool Crib A1-39*

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*

No Violations Noted

**Food Service Area**

*Bathroom*

No Violations Noted

*Coffee Station*

No Violations Noted

*Ice Machine*

No Violations Noted

*Grease Hood and Prep Table*

No Violations Noted

*Walk-in Refrigerator*

No Violations Noted

*Walk-in Freezer*

No Violations Noted

*Office A1-42*

No Violations Noted

*Dry Storage Room A1-46*

No Violations Noted

*Mechanical Warewashing Room*

FC 6-501.12(A)\*

Maintenance and Operation; Cleaning: Facility not cleaned properly, caulking dirty above metal rinse table

FC 6-501.11

Maintenance and Operation; Repairing: Facility not in good repair, caulking damaged

FC 5-205.15(B)

Plumbing System, Operations and Maintenance: Plumbing system not maintained in good repair, sprayer hose leaking

FC 6-501.11

Maintenance and Operation; Repairing: Facility not in good repair, caulking damaged

*Food Service Line*

FC 4-501.11(A)\*

Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment not maintained in a state of good repair, gasket damaged on Traulsen refrigerator

FC 4-501.11(A)

Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment not maintained in a state of good repair, gasket damaged on warmer

FC 6-501.12(A)

Maintenance and Operation; Cleaning: Facility not cleaned properly, debris observed under service line

*Supply Room A1-50*

FC 3-302.12

Preventing Food and Ingredient Contamination: Unlabeled food container, spice not labeled

*Rubbish Room (Chemical Storage) A1-51*

No Violations Noted

*Inmate Dining Room A1-52*

FC 6-501.11\*

Maintenance and Operation; Repairing: Facility not in good repair, several light fixtures not functioning properly

FC 4-602.12(B)

Cleaning of Equipment and Utensils; Frequency: Interior of microwave oven dirty

*Staff Dining Room A1-53*

FC 3-501.16(B)\*

Limitation of Growth of Organisms, Temperature and Time Control: Refrigerator temperature recorded at 55°F

**Administrative Area**

*Janitor's Closet A2-24*

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Wet mop left in bucket

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Standing water left in bucket

*Female Staff Bathroom A2-25*

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Male Staff Bathroom A2-26*

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Lock missing from paper towel holder

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Kitchenette*

FC 3-501.16(B)\*

Limitation of Growth of Organisms, Temperature and Time Control: Refrigerator temperature recorded at 55°F

**B Wing First Floor**

*Hallway*

No Violations Noted

*Day Room*

105 CMR 451.350

Structural Maintenance: Baseboard damaged behind drink machine

*Laundry Room B1-31*

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Sprinkler head cap missing

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Walls dusty

105 CMR 451.350

Structural Maintenance: Wall damaged behind washer # 1

105 CMR 451.350

Structural Maintenance: Ceiling damaged above washer # 1

*Bathroom B1-32*

105 CMR 451.123\*

Maintenance: Ceiling vents dirty

105 CMR 451.126

Water Supply: No hot water supplied to handwash sink # 2

*Shower Room B1-33*

105 CMR 451.123\*

Maintenance: Soap scum on walls and floor in all shower units

105 CMR 451.123\*

Maintenance: Ceiling damaged in shower stall # R1

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in shower stall # L3, L4, and R3

*Janitor's Closet B1-34*

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Slop sink drain cover loose

*Cells*

105 CMR 451.321\*

Cell Size: Inadequate floor space, cells triple bunked

105 CMR 451.353\*

Interior Maintenance: Window shade damaged in cell # B123

**C Wing First Floor**

*Day Room*

FC 4-601.11(C)

Cleaning of Equipment and Utensils, Objective: Vending machine drawer dirty

*Laundry Room C1-31*

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Debris behind washer and dryer units

*Bathroom C1-32*

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Shower Area*

105 CMR 451.123\*

Maintenance: Soap scum on floor in all shower units

105 CMR 451.123\*

Maintenance: Shower floors and baseboard finish damaged in all shower units

105 CMR 451.123\*

Maintenance: Ceiling vent dirty

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged

105 CMR 451.130

Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, shower head leaking in shower # 2

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Inadequate lighting, one light fixture not functioning properly above sink

*Janitor's Closet C1-34*

105 CMR 451.130

Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, hot water faucet leaking in slop sink

*Cells*

No Violations Noted

**A Wing Second Floor**

*Multi Purpose Room A2-2*

No Violations Noted

*Employment Connection Offices*

No Violations Noted

*Barber Shop A2-11*

No Violations Noted

*Janitor's Closet A2-12*

No Violations Noted

*Staff Bathroom A2-34*

No Violations Noted

**B Wing Second Floor**

*Day Room*

105 CMR 451.350

Structural Maintenance: Wall damaged behind drink machine

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged near phones

*Bathroom B2-31*  
105 CMR 451.130 Plumbing: Plumbing not maintained in good repair, cold water faucet leaking in sink # 1  
105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling vents throughout bathroom dusty

*Janitor's Closet B2-32*  
105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Light shield missing  
105 CMR 451.350 Structural Maintenance: Baseboard damaged  
105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Shower Room B2-33*  
105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Soap scum on walls and floor in all shower units  
105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Wall paint damaged on shower stall # R3, L3, and L2  
105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty  
105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Shower dividers rust damaged along bottom of all shower stalls

*Laundry Room B2-34*  
105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Debris behind washer and dryer units  
105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Washer # 2 malfunctioning at time of inspection, soap coming out of return hose

*Cells*  
105 CMR 451.321\* Cell Size: Inadequate floor space, cells triple bunked

### **C Wing Second Floor**

*Day Room*  
105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Several chair coverings damaged

*Laundry Room C2-31*  
No Violations Noted

*Bathroom C2-32*  
No Violations Noted

*Shower Room C2-33*  
105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Soap scum on walls and floor in all shower units  
105 CMR 451.123\* Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged in shower room  
105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Wall tile damaged in shower # 3

*Janitor's Closet C2-34*  
105 CMR 451.353\* Interior Maintenance: Vent cover damaged  
105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

*Cells*  
No Violations Noted

### **Observations and Recommendations**

- The inmate count was 168 at the time of inspection

This facility does not comply with the Department's Regulations cited above. In accordance with 105 CMR 451.404, please indicate next to each entry on the inspection report a plan of correction. Said plan of correction must be submitted within ten working days of receiving this report and should detail the specific steps that will be taken and the date of expected compliance. The plan of correction should be 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 "Community Sanitation Regulations" (available in both PDF and RTF formats).

To review the Food Establishment regulations please visit the Food Protection website at [www.mass.gov/dph/fpp](http://www.mass.gov/dph/fpp) and click on "Food Protection Regulations". Then under "Retail" click "105 CMR 590.000 - State Sanitary Code Chapter X - Minimum Sanitation Standards for Food Establishments" and "1999 Food Code".

This inspection report is signed and certified under the pains and penalties of perjury.

Sincerely,



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