
ICE Detention Standards Compliance Review

GEO Karnes County Correctional Center

April 7-9, 2009

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April 14, 2009

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FROM: [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] *JTH*
Reviewer-In-Charge

SUBJECT: GEO Karnes County Correctional Center
Annual Detention Review

Creative Corrections conducted an Annual Detention Review of the GEO Karnes County Correctional Center (KCCC), Karnes City, Texas, on April 7-9, 2009. As noted on the attached documents, the team of Subject Matter Experts included [REDACTED] Security; [REDACTED] Medical Services; [REDACTED], Environmental Health and Safety; and [REDACTED] Food Service.

A closeout meeting was conducted on April 9, 2009, with [REDACTED] Warden; [REDACTED] Assistant Field Office Director; [REDACTED] Vice President, GEO Group Inc.; [REDACTED] Immigration Enforcement Agent; and [REDACTED] Immigration Enforcement Agent; during which all deficiencies, concerns, and recommendations were discussed.

Type of Review

This review is a scheduled Detention Standard Review to determine general compliance with the established ICE National Detention Standards for facilities housing detainees over 72 hours.

Review Summary

The facility is not accredited by the American Correctional Association, the National Commission on Correctional Health Care, or the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations.

Standards Compliance

The following statistical information outlined provides a direct comparison of the April 2008 Annual Detention Review (ADR) and this ADR conducted for 2009.

April 2008 Review

Compliant	36
Deficient	0
At-Risk	0
Not Applicable	2

April 2009 Review

Compliant	36
Deficient	0
At-Risk	0
Not Applicable	2

Reviewer-In-Charge (RIC) Observations

The GEO Karnes County Correctional Center is a secure, clean, and well-managed facility with experienced staff.

Recommended Rating and Justification

It is the RIC recommendation that the facility receive a rating of "Good."

RIC Assurance Statement

All findings of this review have been documented on the Detention Review Worksheet attached and are supported by the written documentation contained in the review file.

A. Type of Facility Reviewed

ICE Service Processing Center
 ICE Contract Detention Facility
 ICE Intergovernmental Service Agreement

B. Current Inspection

Type of Inspection
 Field Office HQ Inspection
Date[s] of Facility Review
April 7-9, 2009

C. Previous/Most Recent Facility Review

Date[s] of Last Facility Review
April 8-10, 2008
Previous Rating
 Superior Good Acceptable Deficient At-Risk

D. Name and Location of Facility

Name
GEO Karnes County Correctional Center
Address (Street and Name)
810 Commerce Street
City, State and Zip Code
Karnes City, Texas 78118
County
Karnes
Name and Title of Chief Executive Officer (Warden/OIC/Supt.)
b6,b7c Warden
Telephone # (Include Area Code)
830 780-b6,b7c
Field Office / Sub-Office (List Office with oversight responsibilities)
San Antonio, TX
Distance from Field Office
60 miles

E. ICE Information

Name of Inspector (Last Name, Title and Duty Station)
b6,b7c Reviewer-in-Charge / Creative Corrections, Beaumont, Texas
Name of Team Member / Title / Duty Location
b6,b7c SME Security / Creative Corrections
Name of Team Member / Title / Duty Location
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Name of Team Member / Title / Duty Location
b6,b7c SME Food Services / Creative Corrections
Name of Team Member / Title / Duty Location
b6,b7c / SME Safety / Creative corrections

F. CDF/IGSA Information Only

Contract Number
ICS-USM-80-98-0024
Date of Contract or IGSA
May 29, 2002
Basic Rates per Man-Day
\$45.00
Other Charges: (If None, Indicate N/A)
N/A

Estimated Man-days Per Year:
94,675

G. Accreditation Certificates

List all State or National Accreditation[s] received:
 Check box if facility has no accreditation[s]

H. Problems / Complaints (Copies must be attached)

The Facility is under Court Order or Class Action Finding
 Court Order Class Action Order
The Facility has Significant Litigation Pending
 Major Litigation Life/Safety Issues
 Check if None.

I. Facility History

Date Built
1995
Date Last Remodeled or Upgraded
1998
Date New Construction / Bed space Added
N/A
Future Construction Planned
 Yes No Date:
Current Bed space
679
Future Bed space (# New Beds only)
Number: N/A Date: N/A

J. Total Facility Population

Total Facility Intake for previous 12 months
3,592
Total ICE Man-days for Previous 12 months
94,675

K. Classification Level (ICE SPCs and CDFs Only)

	L-1	L-2	L-3
Adult Male	N/A	N/A	N/A
Adult Female	N/A	N/A	N/A

L. Facility Capacity

	Rated	Operational	Emergency
Adult Male	679	679	679
Adult Female	0	0	0

Facility holds Juveniles Offenders 16 and older as Adults

M. Average Daily Population

	ICE	USMS	Other
Adult Male	255	291	0
Adult Female	0	0	0

N. Facility Staffing Level

Security: b2High Support:

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Significant Incident Summary Worksheet

For ICE to complete its review of your facility, the following information must be completed prior to the scheduled review dates. The information on this form should contain data for the past twelve months in the boxes provided. The information on this form is used in conjunction with the ICE Detention Standards in assessing your Detention Operations against the needs of the ICE and its detained population. This form should be filled out by the facility prior to the start of any inspection. Failure to complete this section will result in a delay in processing this report and the possible reduction or removal of ICE' detainees at your facility.

<i>Incidents</i>	<i>Description</i>	Jan – Mar	Apr – Jun	Jul – Sept	Oct – Dec
Assault: Offenders on Offenders ¹	Types (Sexual ² , Physical, etc.)	P-7	P-13	P-9	P-15
	With Weapon	1	0	0	0
	Without Weapon	6	13	9	15
Assault: Detainee on Staff	Types (Sexual Physical, etc.)	P-2	0	P-2	P-4
	With Weapon	1	0	1	2
	Without Weapon	1	0	1	2
Number of Forced Moves, incl. Forced Cell moves ³		0	0	0	0
Disturbances ⁴		0	0	0	0
Number of Times Chemical Agents Used		2	0	6	2
Number of Times Special Reaction Team Deployed/Used		0	0	0	0
# Times Four/Five Point Restraints applied/used	Number/Reason (M=Medical, V=Violent Behavior, O=Other)	0	0	0	0
	Type (C=Chair, B=Bed, BB=Board, O=Other)	0	0	0	0
Offender / Detainee Medical Referrals as a result of injuries sustained.		3	1	1	1
Escapes	Attempted	0	0	0	0
	Actual	0	0	0	0
Grievances:	# Received	22	0	18	33
	# Resolved in favor of Offender/Detainee	13	0	2	11
Deaths	Reason (V=Violent, I=Illness, S=Suicide, A=Attempted Suicide, O=Other)	0	0	I-1	0
	Number	0	0	1	0
Psychiatric / Medical Referrals	# Medical Cases referred for Outside Care	2	0	0	2
	# Psychiatric Cases referred for Outside Care	0	0	0	0

¹ Any attempted physical contact or physical contact that involves two or more offenders

² Oral, anal or vaginal penetration or attempted penetration involving at least 2 parties, whether it is consenting or non-consenting

³ Routine transportation of detainees/offenders is not considered "forced"

⁴ Any incident that involves four or more detainees/offenders, includes gang fights, organized multiple hunger strikes, work stoppages, hostage situations, major fires, or other large scale incidents.

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DHS/ICE Detention Standards Review Summary Report						
1. Acceptable 2. Deficient 3. At Risk 4. Repeat Finding 5. Not Applicable						
Legal Access Standards		1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
1.	Access to Legal Materials	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.	Group Presentations on Legal Rights	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3.	Visitation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.	Telephone Access	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Detainee Services						
5.	Admission and Release	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6.	Classification System	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7.	Correspondence and Other Mail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8.	Detainee Handbook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9.	Food Service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
10.	Funds and Personal Property	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11.	Detainee Grievance Procedures	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
12.	Issuance and Exchange of Clothing, Bedding, and Towels	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
13.	Marriage Requests	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14.	Non-Medical Emergency Escorted Trip	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15.	Recreation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
16.	Religious Practices	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
17.	Voluntary Work Program	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Health Services						
18.	Hunger Strikes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
19.	Medical Care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
20.	Suicide Prevention and Intervention	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
21.	Terminal Illness, Advanced Directives and Death	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Security and Control						
22.	Contraband	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
23.	Detention Files	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
24.	Disciplinary Policy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
25.	Emergency Plans	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
26.	Environmental Health and Safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
27.	Hold Rooms in Detention Facilities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
28.	Key and Lock Control	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
29.	Population Counts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
30.	Post Orders	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
31.	Security Inspections	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
32.	Special Management Units (Administrative Segregation)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
33.	Special Management Units (Disciplinary Segregation)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
34.	Tool Control	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
35.	Transportation (Land management)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
36.	Use of Force	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
37.	Staff / Detainee Communication (Added August 2003)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
38.	Detainee Transfer (Added September 2004)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

All findings (Deficient and At-Risk) require written comment describing the finding and what is necessary to meet compliance.

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RIC Review Assurance Statement

By signing below, the Reviewer-In-Charge (RIC) certifies that all findings of noncompliance with policy or inadequate controls contained in the Inspection Report are supported by evidence that is sufficient and reliable. Furthermore, findings of noteworthy accomplishments are supported by sufficient and reliable evidence. Within the scope of the review, the facility is operating in accordance with applicable law and policy, and property and resources are efficiently used and adequately safeguarded, except for the deficiencies noted in the report.

Reviewer-In-Charge: (Print Name) b6,b7c	Signature b6,b7c b6,b7c
Title & Duty Location RIC, Creative Corrections, Beaumont, Texas	Date April 10, 2009

Team Members	
Print Name, Title, & Duty Location b6,b7c SME Security, Creative Corrections	Print Name, Title, & Duty Location b6,b7c SME Safety, Creative Corrections
Print Name, Title, & Duty Location b6,b7c, SME Medical Services, Creative Corrections	Print Name, Title, & Duty Location b6,b7c, SME Food Service, Creative Corrections

Recommended Rating:

- Superior
- Good
- Acceptable
- Deficient
- At-Risk

Comments:

On August 20, 2008 at 1442 hours, William Albert Salem, CC#91701079, collapsed while playing basketball on the recreation yard. Mr. Salem was 56 years old (DOB 7-10-52) and he was pronounced dead at the area hospital of Hypertensive Cardiomyopathy at 1530.

GEO Karnes County Correctional Facility does utilize dogs to search vehicles entering the facility grounds. The dogs are not used around detainees.

The facility does not use Tasers to control disruptive detainees.

The facility is clean and well managed. Annual training includes a review of the ICE Detention Standards for all staff. Staff was knowledgeable and thorough when completing tasks and assignments.