
ICE Detention Standards Compliance Review

GEO Karnes County Correctional Center

April 8-10 2008

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April 15, 2008

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FROM:

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Reviewer-In-Charge
Creative Corrections

SUBJECT: GEO Karnes County Correctional Center
Annual Detention Review

Creative Corrections conducted an Annual Detention Review (ADR) of the Karnes County Correctional Center, located in Karnes City, Texas, on April 8-10, 2008. The GEO Group operates the facility. As noted on the attached documents, my team of Subject Matter Experts included: [Redacted] b6,b7c Security; [Redacted] b6 Health Services; [Redacted] b6,b7c Safety; and [Redacted] b6 Food Services. A closeout meeting including a discussion of all deficiencies, concerns and recommendations noted during our review was conducted with Warden [Redacted] b6,b7c and his staff on April 10, 2008. Also present, for the closeout was [Redacted] b6,b7c Supervisory Immigration Enforcement Agent National Detention Standards Unit.

Type of Review:

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

Review Summary:

The facility is not currently accredited by any correctional or health organizations.

Standards Compliance:

The following statistical information provides a direct comparison of the 2007 ADR and this ADR conducted for 2008.

April 16-17, 2007 Review

Compliant	35
Deficient	1
At-Risk	0
Not-Applicable	2

April 08-10, 2008 Review

Compliant	36
Deficient	0
At-Risk	0
Not-Applicable	2

RIC Issues and Concerns

There were no RIC Concerns

Special Recognition

The review team was particularly impressed with the Key Watcher automated system and its maintenance by the locksmith. This system virtually eliminates the need for supervisory intervention when restricted keys must be drawn. Further, it provides an excellent security mechanism should a hostage or escape situation ever arise and an unauthorized key draw is attempted.

The facility's tool control policy was considered a most effective and efficient program. This three-tiered system was inspiring because tools are almost constantly accounted for with a daily, monthly, and quarterly inventory or audit. The numerical identification of each tool provides indisputable evidence for accountability. Finally, the tool log is yet another precise method by which staff may locate tools at any time.

The energy invested in training staff relative to detainee confinement nuances was noteworthy. The administering of an annual test to refresh staff knowledge of the National Detention Standards is unique and 'cutting edge'. This measure should serve the facility administrators well as they carry out their mission in compliance with ICE expectations.

Recommended Rating and Justification

It is the Reviewer-in-Charge (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 and are supported by the written documentation contained in the review file.



DETENTION FACILITY INSPECTION FORM

FACILITIES USED LONGER THAN 72 HOURS

A. TYPE OF FACILITY REVIEWED

<input type="checkbox"/>	ICE Service Processing Center
<input type="checkbox"/>	ICE Contract Detention Facility
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ICE Intergovernmental Service Agreement

B. CURRENT INSPECTION

Type of Inspection	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Field Office
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HQ Inspection
Date[s] of Facility Review	
April 08-10, 2008	

C. PREVIOUS/MOST RECENT FACILITY REVIEW

Date[s] of Last Facility Review	
April 2007	
Previous Rating	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Superior
<input type="checkbox"/>	Good
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Acceptable
<input type="checkbox"/>	Deficient
<input type="checkbox"/>	At-Risk

D. NAME AND LOCATION OF FACILITY

Name	
GEO Karnes County Correctional Center	
Address	
810 Commerce St.	
City, State and Zip Code	
Karnes City, Texas 78118	
County	
Karnes	
Name and Title of Chief Executive Officer (Warden/OIC/Superintendent)	
[REDACTED] b6,b7c	
Telephone Number (Include Area Code)	
830 [REDACTED] b6,b7c	
Field Office / Sub-Office (List Office with Oversight)	
SNA Field Office	
Distance from Field Office	
60 miles	

E. CREATIVE CORRECTIONS INFORMATION

Name of Inspector (Last Name, Title and Duty Station)	
[REDACTED] b6,b7c / RIC / Beaumont, Texas	
Name of Team Member / Title / Duty Location	
[REDACTED] b6,b7c SME Security /	
Name of Team Member / Title / Duty Location	
[REDACTED] b6 SME Medical /	
Name of Team Member / Title / Duty Location	
[REDACTED] b6,b7c / SME Safety /	
Name of Team Member / Title / Duty Location	
[REDACTED] b6 SME Food Service /	
Name of Team Member / Title / Duty Location	
/ /	

F. CDF/IGSA INFORMATION ONLY

Contract Number	Date of Contract or IGSA
ICS-USM-80-98-0024	05-29-02
Basic Rates per Man-Day	
45,000	

Other Charges: (If None, Indicate N/A)
; ; ; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
Estimated Man-days Per Year
45,000

G. ACCREDITATION CERTIFICATES N/A

List all State or National Accreditation[s] received:

H. PROBLEMS / COMPLAINTS (COPIES MUST BE ATTACHED)

The Facility is under Court Order or Class Action Finding	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Court Order
<input type="checkbox"/>	Class Action Finding
The Facility has Significant Litigation Pending	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Major Litigation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Life/Safety Issues
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	None

I. FACILITY HISTORY

Date Built	
1995	
Date Last Remodeled or Upgraded	
1998	
Date New Construction / Bed Space Added	
N/A	
Future Construction Planned	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No
Date:	
Current Bed space	Future Bed Space (# New Beds only)
679	Number: N/A Date: N/A

J. TOTAL FACILITY POPULATION

Total Facility Intake for Previous 12 months
9,024
Total ICE Man Days for Previous 12 months
45,337

K. CLASSIFICATION LEVEL (ICE SPCs AND CDFs ONLY)

	L-1	L-2	L-3
Adult Male	320	200	159
Adult Female	0	0	0

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	105	480	34
Adult Female	0	0	0

N. FACILITY STAFFING LEVEL

Security:	Support:
[REDACTED] b2High	

SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT SUMMARY WORKSHEET

In order for Creative Corrections to complete its review of your facility, you must complete the following worksheet prior to your scheduled review dates. This worksheet must contain data for the past twelve months. We will use this worksheet in conjunction with the ICE Detention Standards to assess your detention operations with regard to the needs of ICE and its detainee population. Failure to complete this worksheet will result in a delay in processing this report, and may result in a reduction or removal of ICE detainees from your facility.

INCIDENTS	DESCRIPTION	Jan – Mar	Apr – Jun	Jul – Sep	Oct – Dec
Assault: Offenders on Offenders ¹	Types (Sexual ² , Physical, etc.)	Physical	Physical	Physical	Physical
	With Weapon	0	0	0	0
	Without Weapon	11	12	9	19
Assault: Detainee on Staff	Types (Sexual Physical, etc.)	0	Physical	0	0
	With Weapon	0	0	0	0
	Without Weapon	0	1	0	0
Number of Forced Moves, incl. Forced Cell Moves ³		1	0	1	2
Disturbances ⁴		0	0	0	0
Number of Times Chemical Agents Used		0	2	4	3
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.		0	0	0	0
Escapes	Attempted	0	0	0	0
	Actual	0	0	0	0
Grievances:	# Received	5	6	5	0
	# Resolved in Favor of Offender/Detainee	1	0	3	0
Deaths	Reason (V=Violent, I=Illness, S=Suicide, A=Attempted Suicide, O=Other)	0	0	0	0
	Number	0	0	0	0
Psychiatric / Medical Referrals	# Medical Cases Referred for Outside Care	0	4	5	7
	# 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.

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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<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 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
32.	Special Management Units (Administrative Detention)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input 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"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

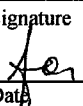
ALL FINDINGS OF DEFICIENT AND AT-RISK REQUIRE WRITTEN COMMENT DESCRIBING THE FINDING AND WHAT IS NECESSARY TO REACH COMPLIANCE.

RIC REVIEW ASSURANCE STATEMENT

By signing below, the Reviewer-In-Charge (RIC) certifies that:

All findings of non-compliance with policy or inadequate controls, and findings of noteworthy accomplishments, contained in this Inspection Report, are supported by evidence that is sufficient and reliable; and
 Within the scope of this review, the facility is operating in accordance with applicable law and policy, and property and resources are being efficiently utilized and adequately safeguarded, except for any deficiencies noted in the report.

REVIEWER-IN-CHARGE

Reviewer-In-Charge: (Print Name) b6,b7c	Signature  b6,b7c
Title & Duty Location RIC Beaumont, Texas	Date April 15, 2008

TEAM MEMBERS

Print Name, Title, & Duty Location b6,b7c SME Security	Print Name, Title, & Duty Location b6,b7c, SME Safety
Print Name, Title, & Duty Location b6 SME Food Services	Print Name, Title, & Duty Location b6 SME Medical

- RECOMMENDED RATING:**
- SUPERIOR
 - GOOD
 - ACCEPTABLE
 - DEFICIENT
 - AT-RISK

COMMENTS: The facility has a K-9 Program; however, the K-9 is only used to search vehicles entering the facility grounds. At no time are detainees involved. No chemical agents have been used on any detainee.
 GEO Karnes County Correctional Center has an impressive key watcher system in place at the facility, and it is maintained very well. Tool Control was noted as an area of strength during the review.
 All staff is trained regarding detainee confinement nuances and administered an annual test to refresh their knowledge of National Detention Standards.