



Facility Inspection Report Issued By The Minnesota Department of Corrections Pursuant to MN Statute 241.021, Subdivision 1

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INSPECTION DETAILS Yellow Medicine County Jail FOR:

Address: 960 Fourth Street, Granite Falls, MN 56241

MN Governing Rule: 2911 Local Adult Detention Facilities

Inspection Type: Biennial **Inspected By:** Sarah Johnson – Senior Detention Facility Inspector **Inspected on:** 07/22/2020

Inspection Method: Facility tour, staff and resident interviews, employee and resident file reviews, and related documentation reviews.

Officials Present During Inspection: Jail Administrator Kathy Busack

Officials Present for Exit Interview: Jail Administrator Kathy Busack

Issued Inspection Report to: Jail Administrator Kathy Busack; Sheriff Bill Flaten; County Administrator Angie Steinbach; Regional Manager Dayna Burmeister

RULE COMPLIANCE SUMMARY

Rule Chapter	Requirement Type	Total Applicable	Total Compliance	Total Non Compliance	Total Compliance With Concerns	Compliance Rating	Substantial Compliance Result/Criteria
2911	Mandatory	126	124	0	2	100.00%	Compliance rating of 100%
2911	Essential	101	100	1	0	99.01%	Compliance rating of 90%

TERMS OF OPERATION

Authority to Operate: approval **Begins On:** 09/01/2020 **Ends On:** 08/31/2022 **Facility Type:** Jail
Placed on Biennial Status: Yes **Biennial Status Annual Compliance Form Due On:** 08/31/2021
Delinquent Juvenile Hold Approval: 24 hrs exclusive of weekends and holidays **Certificate Holder:** Yellow Medicine County Sheriff's Office
Special Conditions: None.

Approved Capacity Details **Operational Capacity is calculated as a percent of Approved Capacity beds.*

Bed Type	Gender	Approved Capacity	%Operating Capacity	Operational Capacity	Bed Details	Conditions
Secure	Coed	36	80	28.80	None.	None.

RULE COMPLIANCE DETAILS

Chapter 2911 - Essential Rules Not In Compliance**Total: 1**

1. 2911.3100 INMATE ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS. Subpart 4. Education.

A facility shall have a written policy and procedure that provides for inmate access to educational programs, vocational counseling, and when available, vocational training. When possible, a facility shall arrange to have these educational programs delivered in classroom specifically designed and equipped for educational or vocational programming. Class I facilities are exempt from this requirement with the exception of those approved by the commissioner to house inmates serving alternative sentences. Text books necessary to complete a course of study, to the extent that local resources permit, shall be made available to inmates. The facility shall not be responsible for the purchase of text books to complete a course of study.

Inspection Findings:

Currently, there are not educational services for the jail.

Corrective Actions:

It is recommended to investigate educational services through community resources to be able to provide education and vocational services to inmates.

Response Needed By:**Chapter 2911 - Mandatory Rules In Compliance With Concerns****Total: 2**

1. 2911.1350 MEDICAL TRAINING FOR CUSTODY STAFF.

By policy and procedure a training program shall be established by the facility administrator in cooperation with the health authority, that provides instruction in the following areas: A. first aid training for custody personnel responsible for the supervision, safety, and well-being of prisoners; B. recognition of signs and symptoms of illness and knowledge of action required in potential emergency situations; C. administration of first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). Recertification training shall occur as required with respect to first aid and CPR. The training shall be documented; D. methods of obtaining assistance; E. recognition of signs and symptoms of mental illness, developmental disabilities, emotional disturbance, and chemical dependency; and F. procedures for inmate transfers to appropriate medical facilities or other health care providers.

Inspection Findings:

Staff receive CPR and medication delivery. Staff do not receive training on all requirements of the rule such as recognition of signs and symptoms of illness or medical distress.

Corrective Actions:

It is recommended to work with your medical provided to address more in-depth training in areas of medical distress.

Response Needed By:

2. 2911.5800 AVAILABILITY OF MEDICAL AND DENTAL RESOURCES. Subpart 3. Health care policy review.

Facility policy shall ensure that each policy, procedure, and program in the health care delivery system is reviewed and documented at least annually under the direction of the health authority and revised as necessary.

Inspection Findings:

The medical policies are currently being reviewed by the health care provider.

Corrective Actions:

Once the County has signed health care polices, please send verification of review to the Department of Corrections.

Response Needed By:

INSPECTION COMMENTS

Training has improved. The facility still does extensive on line training but they have incorporated conference training and leadership training with the Minnesota Sheriff Association for almost all staff.

Medical support for the facility is good. The facility has almost daily medical personnel available and a doctor and mental health professional scheduled weekly. It is recommended to have better documentation in medical files to keep accurate chronology of inmate medical history for reference. It is also recommended to work with the medical provider for more in-depth written procedures for staff on alcohol withdrawal and drug withdrawal.

The jail is very clean, contraband free, conducts excellent well-being checks, and maintenance is continually done on the facility. The jail continues to operate at a high level of compliance and will continue to be on a biennial status.

JJDPA Compliance

Compliance Report for the monitoring Facilities Pursuant to the Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002.

On July 22, 2020, a Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act audit was conducted. The Yellow Medicine County Jail has received a "Rural Exception" to the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP). This allows the facility to hold a delinquent juvenile up to 24 hours, excluding weekends and holiday. There are three core requirements that are looked at during our facility review. Those core requirements are Deinstitutionalization of Status Offenders (DSO), Removal of Juveniles for Adult Jail and Adult Lockups (Jail Removal), and Sight and Sound separation.

According to Yellow Medicine records, they held or processed one (1) juvenile during the federal fiscal year 2020. I reviewed approximately 100 percent of the year 2019 juvenile data and 100 percent of the juvenile files. The findings are as follows:

DSO: I did not find any violations of the facility holding status offenders in the jail. Upon review of the files, indication was that children that were brought into the facility were indeed there for delinquent offenses. Most of the juveniles were book and release.

Jail Removal: Files and Statewide Supervision System data indicate that any children brought into the jail are removed well within the 24 hour time frame allowed per the "Rural Exception." Most were out within 30 minutes.

Sight and Sound Separation: The facility design and policies allow for proper sight and sound separation. Yellow Medicine County uses Prairie Lakes Juvenile Detention Center.

The facility does not participate in any "Scared Straight" programs for any youth that are under public authority.

Court holding: Yellow Medicine has two secure court holding cells as of 2016. They are monitored by court staff.

Based on the documentation that I reviewed, I did not find any violations of the JJDP act during the Yellow Medicine County inspection.

Report completed By: Sarah Johnson – Senior Detention Facility Inspector

Signature:

