

October 10, 2019

TO:

Assistant Director for Detention Management

FROM:

Lead Compliance Inspector The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

# SUBJECT: Annual Detention Inspection of the Winn Correctional Center

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE Performance-Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS 2011) of the Winn Correctional Center in Winnfield, LA during the period of October 8-10, 2019. This is an IGSA facility.

The inspection was performed under the guidance of the second sec

Subject Matter Field	Team Member
Detainee Rights	
Security	
Medical Care	
Safety	

## **Type of Inspection**

This is a scheduled annual inspection which is performed to determine overall compliance with the ICE PBNDS 2011 for Over 72 hour facilities. The facility was not inspected last year; it is a new site.

## Inspection Summary

The Winn Correctional Center is currently accredited by:

- The American Correctional Association (ACA) No
- The National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) No
- The Joint Commission (TJC) No
- Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Yes

## **Standards Compliance**

The following information is a summary of the standards that were reviewed and overall compliance that was determined as a result of the 2019 annual inspection:



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Meet Standard	40
Does Not Meet Standard	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	2

The inspection team identified four (4) deficient components in the following two (2) standards:

Tool Control – 2 Personal Hygiene - 2

#### **Facility Snapshot/Description**

The Winn Correctional Center is operated under the jurisdiction of LaSalle Corrections (contractor/operator). The facility is located in the northeast section of the state of Louisiana in the middle of the Kisatchie National Forrest. It houses adult male ICE detainees and adult male State of Louisiana Department of Corrections inmates. The facility houses all classification levels.

The complex consists of twenty separate buildings sitting on eighty acres of land. The complex is encircled by two twelve-foot chain link fences supplemented with razor ribbon on the top and bottom of both fences rows and a motion detection system. The perimeter includes a paved road that is patrolled by two officers, one of them is armed. The entire perimeter is under monitored camera surveillance. The camera network consists of 36 cameras that monitor some of the housing units but all of the movement corridors and yards. There are many blind spots throughout the complex.

Each of the five housing units is configured in an X-shaped design with each of the building's four wings containing dormitory settings of 44 beds. Housing units are managed by direct and indirect supervision. There is one special management unit consisting of thirteen two-bed cells. The health care unit contains an eight-bed infirmary and three negative air-pressure rooms.

Each housing unit is designed with a dayroom area consisting of one television and fixed table/chair units where detainees can play games, watch television or converse with one another. All detainees are afforded indoor and outdoor recreation time daily. The complex has eleven outdoor recreation areas that were in constant use during the inspection. Indoor recreation includes basketball, volleyball and ping-pong. The recreation program includes intra-mural sports and chess, checkers and soccer tournaments. All detainees eat in one central dining hall, except for special management unit and health care detainees; they are provided trays for dining in their units.

During the inspection, detainees were observed socializing in the dayrooms, watching television, using the telephones and engaging in activities in the outdoor recreation areas. Detainees spoke freely with the inspectors. Interaction between detainees and facility and ICE/ERO staff was professional, open and was not imperious. The atmosphere throughout the facility was relaxed, quiet and free from any concernment. Facility staff were knowledgeable of the daily event schedule and emergency response protocols.



Several detainees were interviewed by the inspection team in informal, as well as, confidential settings in the housing units and on work details. LEP interviews were conducted using interpreters and the language line. The detainees voiced no substantive concerns regarding life/safety issues, conditions of confinement, treatment by staff, access to facility or ICE/ERO personnel, access to medical services, meals served, clothing issued, law library, laundry exchange schedules, telephone access, visitation procedures, access to recreation areas or the variety and availability of established program and activities. Six detainees were housed in SMU during the inspection and all of them were interviewed using the language line. They understood why they were in the unit and offered no substantive concerns about their conditions of confinement or treatment by staff.

Overall the facility is maintaing an acceptable level of cleanliness and sanitation. Cleaning routines were evident throughout the inspection.

ICE/ERO detainees are not charged medical co-payments. Food and maintenance services are provided by LaSalle Corrections employees. Medical services are provided by contractors and/or employees of LaSalle Corrections.

## **Areas of Concern/Significant Observations**

There were no areas of concern identified during this inspection.

## **Recommended Rating and Justification**

The Lead Compliance Inspector recommends that the facility receive a rating of Acceptable. The facility complies with the ICE Performance Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS) 2011. No (0) standards were found Does Not Meet Standard and two (2) standards were Not Applicable (N/A). All remaining forty (40) standards were found to be in compliance.

# **LCI Assurance Statement**

The findings of compliance and noncompliance are accurately and completely documented on the G-324A inspection form and are supported by documentation in the inspection file. An out brief was conducted at the facility and in addition to the entire Nakamoto Group, Inc. Inspection Team, the following were present:

Printed Name of LCI	Date
Lead Compliance Inspector	October 10, 2019
<ul> <li>ICE Officials –</li> <li>Facility Staff –</li> </ul>	