

**TEXAS COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS
JAIL INSPECTION REPORT**

Facility Name: Fisher Co. Jail

Date:

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Item	Section	Paragraph	Comments
1	265	.13(a)	<p>(a) Each sheriff/operator shall investigate and verify the veteran status of each prisoner by using data made available from the Veterans Reentry Search Service (VRSS) operated by the United States Department of Veteran Affairs or similar service.</p> <p>The jail staff have not been loading inmate information to the VA System to verify veteran status of inmates for approximately 3 months.</p>
2	265	.3	<p>Inmates confined in a holding cell or detoxification cell shall be observed by facility personnel at intervals not to exceed 30 minutes</p> <p>During the review of Holding and Detox 30 minute face to face observation checks, it was determined that staff exceeded the 30 minute welfare checks by 1 minute up to 20 minutes.</p>
3	273	.5(a)(2)	<p>Identification. Procedures for intake screening to identify inmates who are known to be or observed to be mentally disabled and/or potentially suicidal and procedures for compliance with Code of Criminal Procedure Article 16.22 and referrals to available mental health officials.</p> <p>It was determined that when reviewing the intake screening forms, there were four of five files that did not contain the magistrate, supervisor or mental health notifications as required.</p>
4	273	.7(a)	<p>Each facility having a capacity of 100 or more beds, or housing inmates transferred from a facility with a capacity of at least 100 beds or housing inmates from another state, shall develop and implement a plan for tuberculosis screening tests of employees, volunteers, and inmates. Inmates confined in the jail for more than 7 days shall be tested on or before the 7th day after the day of confinement. Inmates may be exempt from the screening test when the test conflicts with the tenets of an organized religion to which the individual belongs or when the test is contraindicated based on an examination by a physician. An inmate is not required to be retested at each rebooking if the inmate is booked into the facility more than once during a 12-month period, unless the inmate shows symptoms of or is known to have been exposed to tuberculosis.</p> <p>During the review of employee TB testing documentation, it was determined that the jail staff have not been TB tested for the annual testing period as required.</p>
5	273	.5(a)(1)	<p>(1) Training. Provisions for staff training (including frequency and duration) on the procedures for recognition, supervision, documentation, and handling of inmates who are mentally disabled and/or potentially suicidal. Supplemental training should be provided to those staff members responsible for intake screening;</p> <p>During the review of suicide prevention training, it was determined staff had not been trained as required by Standards and the facilities operational plans.</p>



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