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NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE BOWIE COUNTY JAIL

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Please reference the Inspection Requirements Review and Jail Inspection Report issued on August 1, 2023, detailing the specific issues that resulted in the issuance of this notice of non-compliance.

Minimum Standards Violated:	Corrective Measure Required	Date Corrective Action Must Be Completed
275.1	<p>Every facility shall have the appropriate number of jailers at the facility 24 hours a day. Facilities shall have an established procedure for documented, face-to-face observation of all inmates by jailer no less than once every 60 minutes. Observation shall be performed at least every 30 minutes in areas where inmates known to be assaultive, potentially suicidal, mentally ill, or who have demonstrated bizarre behavior are confined.</p> <p>A review of video submitted after an escape revealed that while rounds were conducted as mandated by minimum jail standards, face-to-face observations were not conducted. The escape occurred at approximately 0300 hours, and it was not discovered until approximately 0915 hours that the inmates were missing.</p>	Upon receipt of this notice.

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