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REPORT SUMMARY

Performance Audit

Macomb Correctional Facility

Department of Corrections

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The Macomb Correctional Facility opened in 1993 and is located in New Haven, Michigan. The Facility housed 1,371 male prisoners as of April 30, 2013 and contains one level I housing unit, four level II housing units, and two level IV housing units. One of the level IV housing units is designated as a Secure Status Segregation Unit within the Residential Treatment Program. This Program provides residential mental health services for assaultive inmates.

Audit Objective:

To assess the effectiveness of the Department of Corrections' (DOC's) efforts to comply with selected policies and procedures related to safety and security at the Macomb Correctional Facility.

Audit Conclusion:

We concluded that DOC's efforts to comply with selected policies and procedures related to safety and security at the Macomb Correctional Facility were moderately effective. We noted five reportable conditions (Findings 1 through 5).

Reportable Conditions:

The Facility did not maintain proper control over weapons stored in its arsenal (Finding 1).

The Facility did not perform and document all required prisoner cell searches (Finding 2).

The Facility did not maintain proper control over critical and dangerous tools (Finding 3).

The Facility did not conduct and document all required prisoner counts (Finding 4).

The Facility did not conduct and document all required radio checks (Finding 5).

Noteworthy Accomplishments:

The Facility works with several nationally known external organizations to offer a number of volunteer programs. Also, the Facility operates quilting and teddy bear projects and a horticulture program, all of which are used to provide donations to the local community. In addition, the Facility experienced a 47% reduction in the number of critical incidents from calendar year 2011 to calendar year 2012.

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Agency Response:

Our audit report contains 5 findings and 5 corresponding recommendations. DOC's preliminary response indicates that the Facility agrees with all of the recommendations and has complied with them.

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