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Performance Audit

Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility

Department of Corrections

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The Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility is located in Ypsilanti. In 2009, it became the State of Michigan's only all-women's facility. For fiscal year 2017, the Facility's General Fund appropriation was \$59.1 million to support 501.9 full-time equated positions. As of April 18, 2017, the Facility housed 2,216 prisoners.

Audit Objective			Conclusion
Objective: To assess the Facility's compliance with selected policies and procedures related to safety and security.			Partially complied
Findings Related to This Audit Objective	Material Condition	Reportable Condition	Agency Preliminary Response
For the two periods tested, the Facility did not conduct or document 23% of the required cell searches and 24% of the required prisoner shakedowns and documented that it conducted 58 cell searches that it did not conduct. Also, the Facility did not search 3% and 6% of the cells during July 2016 and December 2016, respectively (Finding #1).	X		Agrees
During two test periods, the Facility did not conduct nearly 1/3 of the required employee searches. Because the Facility is required to search only a minimum of 20 employees per shift, this situation poses an increased security risk to the Facility (Finding #2).	X		Agrees
At the time of our review, 1 critical tool, 2 dangerous tools, and 18 other tool inventory items were missing and daily and weekly reports were missing or incomplete (Finding #3).	X		Agrees
The Facility did not ensure that officers assigned to specialized staffing assignments had completed all required training, including 7% who had not completed the annual shotgun requalification training, 11% who had not completed the cell extraction training, and 52% who had not completed the semiannual self-contained breathing apparatus training (Finding #4).		X	Agrees

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