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Pete Ricketts, Governor

July 14, 2017

Patrick O'Donnell, Clerk of the Legislature
State Capitol, Room 2018
P.O. Box 94604
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. O'Donnell,

Nebraska Statute 83-4,134.01 requires Nebraska's juvenile facilities to report quarterly to the Legislature within two weeks after the end of each quarter, information regarding the use of room confinement in Nebraska's juvenile facilities.

Attached, please find the quarterly reports for the Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Centers in Kearney and Geneva.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Douglas J. Weinberg".

Douglas J. Weinberg, Director
Division of Children and Family Services
Department of Health and Human Services

Attachments

Facility Name Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Center - Kearney
 Address 2802 30th Avenue
 City, State Zip Code Kearney, NE 68845

4th Quarter 2017
 Juvenile Room Confinement Reporting

April 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017

									More Than 4 Hours
	# Juveniles Placed in Room Confinement	Length of Time (in hours)	Race	Ethnicity	Age	Gender	Facility Staffing Levels	Reason for Room Confinement	Reasons Attempts to Return Unsuccessful
April	66 occurrences 35 unique youth	Aggregate: 2478.75 Average: 37.75	White: 28 Black or African American: 6 American Indian/Alaska Native: 1	Hisp./Latino: 9 Not Hispc./Latino: 26	14 yoa: 2 15 yoa: 3 16 yoa: 10 17 yoa: 9 18 yoa: 11	Male	1 staff: 8 youth	Behavioral infraction or rule violation: 21 Destruction of property: 2 Escape risk: 2 Other administrative: 12 Physically assaulted another youth: 17 Physically assaulted staff: 4 Safety & protection from another: 2 Verbally abusive towards another youth: 1 Verbally abusive towards staff: 5	Consequence for infraction/rule violation is for certain time: 21 Need to be protected: 3 Other administrative: 10 Regular sleeping hours: 1 Self-harming: 2 Serious and immediate danger to others: 29
May	69 occurrences 36 unique youth	Aggregate: 2990.25 Average: 43.50	White: 23 Black or African American: 11 American Indian/Alaska Native: 2	Hisp./Latino: 4 Not Hispc./Latino: 32	14 yoa: 1 15 yoa: 6 16 yoa: 8 17 yoa: 13 18 yoa: 8	Male	1 staff: 8 youth	Behavioral infraction or rule violation: 19 Destruction of property: 2 Escape risk: 5 Other administrative: 6 Physically assaulted another youth: 18 Physically assaulted staff: 9 Safety & protection from another: 3 Self-harming: 1 Threat of suicide: 1 Verbally abusive towards staff: 5	Consequence for infraction/rule violation is for certain time: 24 Need to be protected: 2 Other administrative: 6 Regular sleeping hours: 2 Self-harming: 1 Serious and immediate danger to others: 32 Threat of suicide: 1
June	93 occurrences 41 unique youth	Aggregate: 3947.25 Average: 42.50	White: 28 Black or African American: 12 American Indian/Alaska Native: 1	Hisp./Latino: 9 Not Hispc./Latino: 32	14 yoa: 0 15 yoa: 5 16 yoa: 10 17 yoa: 17 18 yoa: 9	Male	1 staff: 8 youth	Behavioral infraction or rule violation: 21 Destruction of property: 4 Escape risk: 6 Other administrative: 14 Physically assaulted another youth: 27 Physically assaulted staff: 10 Safety & protection from another: 6 Threat of suicide: 1 Verbally abusive towards another youth: 4	Consequence for infraction/rule violation is for certain time: 22 Need to be protected: 6 Other administrative: 14 Regular sleeping hours: 1 Serious and immediate danger to others: 44 Threat of suicide: 1
Total		Aggregate: 9416.25 Average: 41.25	White: 79 Black or African American: 29 American Indian/Alaska Native: 4	Hisp./Latino: 22 Not Hispc./Latino: 90	14 yoa: 3 15 yoa: 14 16 yoa: 28 17 yoa: 39 18 yoa: 28	Male	N/A	Behavioral infraction or rule violation: 61 Destruction of property: 8 Escape risk: 13 Other administrative: 32 Physically assaulted another youth: 62 Physically assaulted staff: 23 Safety & protection from another: 11 Self-harming: 1 Verbally abusive towards another youth: 5 Verbally abusive towards staff: 10 Threat of suicide: 2	Consequence for infraction/rule violation is for certain time: 67 Need to be protected: 11 Other administrative: 30 Regular sleeping hours: 4 Self-harming: 3 Serious and immediate danger to others: 105 Threat of suicide: 2

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+ Under the Length of Time category, the aggregate and average number of hours includes time when the youth is in confinement status (not participating in normal activities with their assigned living unit, for safety or behavioral concerns). During this time, youth have the opportunity to be visited by their immediate treatment team, medical staff, and mental health therapist. They have recreation/exercise opportunities, are permitted to shower, have visitation with their family, phone calls to their family and DHHS hotline, phone calls and visits from their probation officer, phone calls and visits from their attorney, phone calls and visits from their DHHS CFS worker, and can meet with the Pastor. Based on their behavior, youth may have additional reading materials, educational materials, and visits from youth in their living unit group. Strategies and change in protocols are currently underway through reintegration plans to further reduce confinement time.

Facility Name Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Center - Geneva
 Address 855 North 1st Street
 City, State Zip Code Geneva, NE 68361

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 Juvenile Room Confinement Reporting

April 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017

									More Than 4 Hours
	# Juveniles Placed in Room Confinement	Length of Time (in hours)	Race	Ethnicity	Age	Gender	Facility Staffing Levels	Reason for Room Confinement	Reasons Attempts to Return Unsuccessful
April	29 occurrences 16 unique youth	Aggregate: 995.00 Average: 34.50	White: 3 Black or African American: 8 American Indian/Alaska Native: 2 Multi-Race: 3	Hisp./Latino: 1 Not Hisp./Latino: 15	14 yoa: 2 15 yoa: 4 16 yoa: 3 17 yoa: 5 18 yoa: 2	Female	1 staff: 5 youth	Physically assaulted staff: 4 Physically assaulted another youth: 2 Administrative: 12 Self-harming: 1 Escape risk: 2 Destruction of property: 1 Verbally abusive towards staff: 6 Verbally abusive towards another youth: 1	Serious and immediate danger to others: 13 Other administrative: 6 Need to be protected: 2 Threat of suicide: 1
May	39 occurrences 24 unique youth	Aggregate: 1143.50 Average: 29.50	White: 4 Black or African American: 8 American Indian/Alaska Native: 6 Multi-Race: 6	Hisp./Latino 3 Not Hisp./Latino: 21	14 yoa: 2 15 yoa: 4 16 yoa: 6 17 yoa: 4 18 yoa: 8	Female	1 staff: 6 youth	Physically assaulted staff: 4 Physically assaulted another youth: 4 Administrative: 16 Self-harming: 2 Escape Risk: 2 Verbally abusive towards staff: 5 Verbally abusive towards youth: 1 Suicide attempt: 3 Threat of suicide: 2	Serious and immediate danger to others: 15 Need to be protected: 1 Threat of suicide: 2 Suicide attempt: 1 Escape Risk: 4
June	40 occurrences 17 unique youth	Aggregate: 574.00 Average: 14.50	White: 4 Black or African American: 4 American Indian/Alaska Native: 4 Multi-Race: 5	Hisp./Latino: 3 Not Hisp./Latino: 14	14 yoa: 2 15 yoa: 3 16 yoa: 4 17 yoa: 3 18 yoa: 5	Female	1 staff: 6 youth	Physically assaulted staff: 6 Physically assaulted another youth: 5 Administrative: 9 Self-harming: 4 Destruction of property: 2 Verbally abusive towards staff: 7 Verbally abusive towards another youth: 2 Suicide attempt: 3 Threat of suicide: 2	Serious and immediate danger to others: 9 Other administrative: 4 Need to be protected: 1 Threat of suicide: 3 Self-harming: 1 Regular sleeping hours: 9
Total		Aggregate: 2712.50 Average: 26.25	White: 11 Black or African American: 20 American Indian/Alaska Native: 12 Multi-Race: 14	Hisp./Latino: 7 Not Hisp./Latino: 50	14 yoa: 6 15 yoa: 11 16 yoa: 13 17 yoa: 12 18 yoa: 15	Female	N/A	Physically assaulted staff: 14 Physically assaulted another youth: 11 Administrative: 37 Self-harming: 7 Escape risk: 4 Destruction of property: 3 Verbally abusive towards staff: 18 Verbally abusive towards another youth: 4 Suicide attempt: 6 Threat of suicide: 4	Serious and immediate danger to others: 37 Other administrative: 10 Need to be protected: 4 Threat of suicide: 6 Suicide attempt: 1 Escape risk: 4 Self-harming: 1 Regular sleeping hours: 9

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