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September 11, 2024

Andrew Johnson

RE: Buena Vista Correctional Complex
Complaint #: CO00036221

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has concluded an investigation of your allegation(s) under the authority of the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment utilizing the regulations governing Community Clinics and Community Clinics and Emergency Centers.

A regulatory review was completed on 8/29/24. Sixteen patients were included in the sample for this review. Facility documents were reviewed. Eleven staff members were interviewed. Observations were conducted throughout the facility.

The allegation the facility failed to provide pharmaceutical services within recognized standards and facility policy by ensuring patients were monitored after receiving medications was substantiated.

The facility failed to comply with state regulations pertaining to the subject of the allegation.

Based on observations, interviews, and document review, the facility failed to ensure nursing staff monitored patients receiving medications to prevent diversion and unauthorized access.

The facility was cited with deficient practice under D1316 Pharmacy Services: 13.4 Medications Maintained in the CC shall be appropriately stored and safeguarded against diversion or access by unauthorized persons. Appropriate records shall be kept regarding the disposition of all medications.

To review cited deficiencies associated with this investigation, search the Buena Vista Correctional Complex name at <https://cdphe.colorado.gov/find-and-compare-facilities>

Thank you for sharing your concerns.

Sincerely,

Jo Tansey
Acute Care and Nursing Facilities Branch Chief
Health Facilities and Emergency Medical Services Division

