

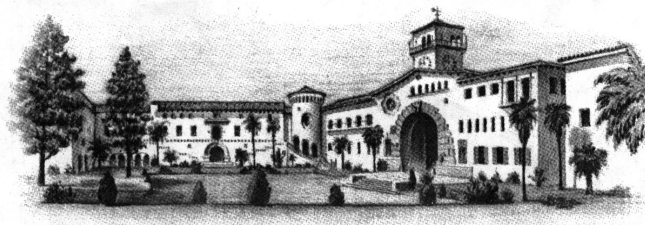
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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

September 10, 2019

Honorable Michael J. Carrozzo
Presiding Judge
Santa Barbara Superior Court
County Courthouse
1100 Anacapa Street
Santa Barbara CA 93101

Reference: Response to Santa Barbara Civil Grand Jury report titled, "Suicide in Custody" published June 29, 2019.

Judge Carrozzo:

Please find attached the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors (Board) response to the above referenced Civil Grand Jury Report. As directed by the Grand Jury, all responses are provided in accordance with Section 933.05 of the California Penal Code.

The Board appreciates the work conducted by the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in responding to this matter.

Sincerely,

Steve Lavagnino, Chair
Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

CC: Santa Barbara County Grand Jury

Attachment A

**Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
Response to the Santa Barbara County Grand Jury 2018-2019 Report
“Suicide in Custody”**

Finding 9

The Jail is operating without National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) accreditation, contrary to the contract requirement.

The Board of Supervisors agrees with the finding.

Recommendation 9

That the Board of Supervisors closely examine the provisions of the existing medical provider contract and enforce all of the current provider’s obligations, especially with regard to the continuing failure to obtain National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) accreditation for the Jail.

Recommendation 9 has been implemented, the Sheriff, along with representatives from WellPath, are scheduled to present to the Board of Supervisors on September 17, 2019, the annual report of their provision of health care at the Jail, which will include a report of their progress in securing NCCHC Accreditation.