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COOK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
CERMAK HOSPITAL
2017 INSPECTION REPORT

Criminal Justice Specialist Errica Weatherspoon conducted an inspection of Cermak Hospital of the Cook County Jail for the annual health and mental health requirements on November 30, 2017. Entrance and exit interviews were conducted with George Holly, Assistant Administrator - Policy, Office of Operations and Program Audits.

IMPROVEMENTS WITH *ILLINOIS COUNTY JAIL STANDARDS*

1. Medical and security staffs continue to collaborate daily to review detainee medical/ housing status.
2. The Cermak hospital continues to improve the in reducing overcrowding in the medical unit by not exceeding actual bed capacity. Available bed capacity is 148, on the date of inspection the actual bed count was 123.

NONCOMPLIANCES WITH *ILLINOIS COUNTY JAIL STANDARDS*

NONE

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. **Television chords were observed to be hanging freely on the date of the inspection. It is recommended that all wires be secured to reduce safety risk or incident.**

Errica Weatherspoon
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