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Exposure Log



Staff Exposure Incidents

Date	Facility	Details	# Staff Exposed	Symptoms	Treatment	Narcan Administered	Field Test/Lab Results
8/30/018	Greene	Staff returned from housing unit to the visiting room and reported feeling ill.	1	Light headed, dizziness, and metallic taste in mouth.	Evaluated at SCI and transported to outside hospital.	No	N/A
8/30/2018	Somerset	Three staff members were feeding dinner trays when they reached a cell where smoke emanated from and succumb to symptoms moments later. Two additional staff were opening up the plumbing chase for the purge fans and were exposed.	5	Felt ill.	Transported to outside hospital (all staff).	No	N/A
8/29/2018	Somerset	Staff members experience adverse reactions to potential exposure while in housing unit.	2	Dizziness, confusion, increased heart rate, "felt drunk".	Evaluated at SCI and transported to outside hospital.	No	N/A
8/29/2018	Albion	Parole violator brought an unknown substance in a vial. Hazmat cleared the area.	6	Pale skin, headache, disoriented, slurred speech, elevated blood pressure, elevated heart rate, dizziness, and tingling on face.	Transported to outside hospital.	No	Lab results confirmed substance to be sorbitan trioleat.
8/28/2018	Greene	Staff came in contact with an unknown substance.	1	Not feeling well and elevated blood pressure.	Transported to outside hospital and returned to work.	No	Test results came back normal.
8/28/2018	Rockview	Staff was processing request slips and began	2	Dizziness, weakness in legs, disoriented,	Transported to outside hospital.	Yes (both)	Field test inconclusive.

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		to experience adverse effects due to potential exposure.		trouble breathing, increased pulse, and high blood pressure.			
8/26/2018	Smithfield	While searching an inmate staff was exposed to a paper and experience adverse reactions.	1	Headache, disoriented, confused, dilated pupils, agitated.	Transported to outside hospital.	No	Field test positive for synthetic cannabinoids.
8/25/2018	Fayette	Staff was conducting fire and security cell inspections when a yellow glove with a green leafy substance and white powder was found.	1	Felt ill.	Evaluated at SCI and transported to outside hospital.	Yes	Field test positive for synthetic cannabinoids.
8/25/2018	Fayette	Staff developed a rash after transporting an inmate who was believed to be under the influence.	1	Skin rash	Evaluated at SCI and transported to outside hospital.	No	N/A
8/22/2018	Greene	Staff member touring a block and began to feel ill.	1	Elevated blood pressure and increased heart rate.	Evaluated at SCI and transported to outside hospital.	No	N/A
8/20/2018	Benner Township	Staff was collecting commissary slips.	1	Dizziness and headache.	Evaluated at SCI and transported to outside hospital.	No	N/A
8/15/2018	Greene	Re-occurrence of exposure from 08/13/2018.	1	Increased heart rate and elevated blood pressure.	Evaluated at SCI and transported to outside hospital.	No	N/A
8/13/2018	Greene	Staff was searching inmate property and began to experience adverse reactions.	4	Elevated blood pressure, increased heart rate, light headed, tingling extremities, heavy	Evaluated at SCI and transported to outside hospital.	No	N/A

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				legs, one staff couldn't remember DOB.			
8/13/2018	Mercer	Staff copied legal mail for an inmate and began to experience adverse reactions.	1	Faint, out of breath, and increased heart rate.	Transported to outside hospital.	No	N/A
8/11/2018	Mercer	Staff was processing commissary slips.	1	Lightheaded, dizziness, and lips turned white.	Evaluated at SCI and transported to outside hospital.	No	N/A
8/10/2018	Fayette	Staff members came into contact with an unknown substance while in the property room. Hazmat responded and cleared the area.	6	Dizziness, headache, increased blood pressure, and shortness of breath.	Evaluated at SCI and transported to outside hospital.	No	No controlled substance found.
8/10/2018	Mercer	Staff assisted an inmate who could not move due to being under the influence. Shortly after staff moved the inmate they began to experience adverse reactions.	3	Not feeling well.	Transported to outside hospital.	YES	N/A
8/6/2018	Mercer	Staff was inventorying property and began to experience adverse reactions.	6	Initial staff experienced seizure symptoms and became unresponsive. Secondary staff experienced dizziness, lightheaded, shaky, swollen tongue, metallic taste in	All staff transported to outside hospital.	Yes (Initial staff)	Lab results confirmed no controlled substance detected.

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				mouth, severe migraine headache, nausea, confusion, tingling face, increased heart rate, trouble breathing, profuse sweating, and scratchy throat.			
8/3/2018	Benner Township	Property inventory conducted by staff resulted in an adverse reaction.	1	Headache, nausea, dilated pupils, flushed skin, and slurred speech.	Evaluated at SCI and transported to outside hospital	No	N/A
7/5/2018	Benner Township	During a general search staff came into contact with a calcium antacid bottle containing cotton balls. Once opened adverse reactions were experienced.	3	Light headed and dizzy.	Transported to outside hospital.	No	Field test positive for synthetic cannabinoids.
6/26/2018	Mercer	Staff handling inmate request slips.	1	Pinpoint dots developed on hand, tingling and tight feeling, elevated pulse.	Evaluated at SCI and returned to work.	No	N/A
6/6/2018	Camp Hill	White powder found in seam of magazine by mailroom staff.	1	Burning in nose and eyes.	Transported to urgent care.	No	Field test positive for amphetamines.
6/3/2018	Coal Township	During a cell search staff contacted a white powder substance.	1	Not feeling well.	Evaluated at SCI and transported to outside hospital.	Yes	

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5/31/2018	Laurel Highlands	While collecting mail an envelope was opened and a strong odor was detected.	1	Dizzy and increased hear rate.	Evaluated at SCI and transported to outside hospital.	No	N/A

Total # Staff Exposed: 60

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Pennsylvania Department of Corrections Facility Exposure Incidents vs. Staff Exposure Incidents 05/31/2018 - 09/05/2018

