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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	PA16507CJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	11/1/2016 10:40 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Harris County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	1200 Baker Street
Agency City:	Houston	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	77002		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Ron
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Hickman		
Reporter Name:	James Dewey, Lt	Reporter Email:	jim.dewey@sheriff.hctx.net

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Alpha

Middle Name:

Last Name: Eze

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 3/2/1988 Sex: Male

Race:

Age At Time Of Death: 28

Date/Time of Custody (arrest, incarceration) (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 9/24/2016 10:43 PM

Date/Time of Death (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Death Date and Time: 10/28/2016 3:22 PM

Manner / Cause of Death

Has a medical examiner or coroner conducted an evaluation to determine a cause of death?

Medical Examiner/Coroner Evaluation?: Yes, results are available

What was the manner of death? (select only one)

Manner of Death: Natural

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Pulmonary thromboemboli due to deep venous thrombosis of the lower extremities secondary to dehydration associated with depression with psychosis

Had the decedent been receiving treatment for the medical condition that caused the death after admission to your jail's jurisdiction?

Medical Treatment:	Yes

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, who caused the death?

Who caused the death?:	Not applicable; cause of death was suicide, intoxication or illness/natural causes

If a weapon caused the death, what type of weapon caused the death? (Hold CTRL to select all that apply)

Type of weapon that caused death?:	Not Applicable

Was the cause of death the result of a pre-existing medical condition or did the decedent develop the condition after admission?

Pre existing medical condition?:	Don\'t know

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, what was the means of death?

Means of Death:	Not applicable; cause of death was intoxication or illness/natural causes

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	1401 St Jospeh Parkway	City:	Houston
County:	Harris	Zip:	

What location category best describes where the event causing the death occurred?

Location Category:

What type of custody/facility was the Decedent in at the time of death:

Type of Custody: County Jail

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

Jail - multiple occupancy cell

What was the time and date of the deceased's entry into the law enforcement facility where the death occurred (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Entry Date Time:

Entry Date Time N/A: ☑

Where did the death occur?

Death Location: At medical facility

General Information

Did any other law enforcement agencies respond to calls for service related to this incident?

Other Agencies Respond?:

What were the most serious offense(s) with which the deceased was (or would have been) charged with at the time of death?

Offense 1:

Agg Assault of a Family Member

Offense 2:

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: Filed

What were the types of charges or reason for contact? (Hold CTRL to select all that apply)

Type of Offense:

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent display or use a weapon?

Decedent display/use of weapons:

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Attempt to Injure Others?:

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Appear intoxicated (alcohol or

drugs):	No	Make suicidal statements?:	
Exhibit any mental health problems?:		Exhibit any medical problems?:	

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Barricade self or initiate standoff?:		Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	No
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):		Gain possession of officer's weapon:	
Verbally threaten other(s) including law:		Escape or attempt to escape/flee custody:	
Attempt gain possession officer's weapon:			

Was the deceased under restraint in the time leading up to the death or the events causing the death?

Under Restraint: No

Summary of Incident

Summary of How the Death Occurred: (max. 30,000 characters)

Summary:

On October 28, 2016, Inmate Alpha Eze (SPN 002745339) died in custody at St. Joseph Hospital located at 1401 St. Joseph Parkway, Houston, Texas 77002. Inmate Eze was pronounced deceased by attending physician Dr. Mike Shin at 15:22 hours. Inmate Eze, a Black male, 28 years of age had been in the custody of the Harris County Sheriff's Office since his arrest by the Houston Police Department for AGG Assault of a Family Member with a $ 0 bond. Case # 14350700 is assigned to the 351st District Court.

The following is a synopsis of the death of Inmate Eze:

On Saturday, September 24, 2016, @ 22:43 hours, Inmate Eze was processed into the Harris County Jail for AGG. Assault of a Family Member with a No Bond on case # 14350700.

On Saturday, September 24, 2016, during processing, the HCSO Mental Health Application Form was completed for Inmate Eze. (Note) during the Mental Health Screening, Inmate Eze answered all 16 screening questions “No” and there were no additional comments.

On Friday, October 28, 2016 at approximately 14:15 hours, Detention Officer J. Green was advised by Psych. Tech Agbontaen Kingsley that Inmate Eze was unresponsive. CPR was immediately initiated by Psych. Tech Tony Thomas and Medical was notified. MHU Charge Nurse Florence responded with an AED.

On Friday, October 28, 2016, Medical staff arrived with a stretcher and Inmate Eze was transported to the 1200 Clinic with CPR in progress.

On Friday, October 28, 2016 at 14:42 hours, HFD (Medic #6) arrived and began providing medical assistance to Inmate Eze. At approximately 14:52 hours, HFD supervisor Warren Riojas arrived.

On Friday, October 28, 2016 at 15:08 hours, HFD departed 1200 Clinic enroute to St. Joseph Hospital with CPR continuing on Inmate Eze.

On Friday, October 28, 2016 at approximately 15:14 hours Inmate Eze arrived at St. Joseph Hospital, located at 1401 St. Joseph Parkway and was placed in Room #1 of the Emergency Center.

On Friday, October 28, 2016, after several attempts were made, by St. Joseph medical staff to revive Inmate Eze, he (Eze) was pronounced deceased at 15:22 hours by attending physician Dr. M. Shin.

Case referred to HCSO Homicide and IAD for review and disposition.

Autopsy pending.