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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	25-874-C	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	11/3/2025 11:07 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Grayson County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	200 S. Crockett
Agency City:	Sherman	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	75090		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	William
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Bennie		
Reporter Name:	Chad Brinlee	Reporter Email:	brinleec@co.grayson.tx.us

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Bryan

Middle Name: Jeffery

Last Name: Curtis

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 1/22/1980 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 45

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 10/26/2025 10:21 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 10/26/2025 10:21 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: Accidental

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Died as a result of the toxic effects of methamphetamine.

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

Medical Treatment: Unknown

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

Who caused the death?: Decedent

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?: Could not be determined

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

Means of Death: Drug overdose

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	200 S. Crockett Street	City:	Sherman
County:	Grayson	Zip:	75090

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

Location Category:	Law Enforcement Facility

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

Type of Custody:	Police Custody (pre-booking)

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:
Custody of Law Enforcement Personnel subsequent to arrest

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:	10/26/2025 8:08 PM

Where did the death occur?

Death Location:	Medical facility

General Information

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

Other Agencies Respond?:	No

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:

Violation of Protective Order

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: Violent Crime Against Persons

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: No

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

Attempt to Injure Others?: Unknown

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

Appear intoxicated (alcohol or drugs): Unknown

Make suicidal statements?: Unknown

Exhibit any mental health problems?: Unknown

Exhibit any medical problems?: Yes

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

Barricade self or initiate standoff?: No

Resist being handcuffed or arrested?: No

Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	No	Gain possession of officer's weapon:	No
Verbally threaten other(s) including law:	No	Escape or attempt to escape/flee custody:	No
Attempt gain possession officer's weapon:	No		

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:

While in the intake room, Inmate Bryan Jeffery Curtis began exhibiting signs of medical distress, including excessive sweating and shaking. A Denison Police Officer requested that booking staff contact medical personnel. Medical staff arrived and assessed the inmate's vital signs, which were within normal limits.

Due to the inmate's continued shaking and sweating, it was determined that he should be escorted to the medical unit for an EKG, despite denying any chest pain. However, because of the inmate's persistent movement and sweating, medical staff were unable to obtain an accurate reading.

Based on the circumstances, medical staff made the decision to transport the inmate to the nearest hospital, Sherman Medical Center, for further evaluation. While officers were preparing for the transport, Inmate Curtis suddenly slumped over in his wheelchair in the presence of several officers. Officers immediately called for medical staff to return to the booking area and initiated a sternal rub while awaiting their arrival.

Medical staff arrived promptly, assessed the inmate, and began life-saving measures. The on-duty Sergeant called for an ambulance at 2035 hours. Inmate Curtis was transported to Sherman Medical Center by Sherman Fire Department at 2047 hours.

At approximately 2115 hours, Inmate Bryan Jeffery Curtis was pronounced deceased by hospital personnel. An autopsy is pending.