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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 21-129-PF

Version Type: AMENDED

Report Date: 2/18/2021 1:20 PM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Tom Green County
Sheriff's Dept.

Agency Address: 222 W. Harris

Agency City: San Angelo

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 76903

Director Information

Director Salutation: Sheriff

Director First Name: John

Director Middle Name: N

Director Last Name: Hanna

Reporter Name: Roger Looka

Reporter Email: roger.looka@co.tom-green.tx.us

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Juan

Middle Name: Ramon

Last Name: Salinas

Suffix: Jr.

Date of Birth: 9/23/1983

Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 37

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 1/9/2021 8:31 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 1/20/2021 12:28
AM

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:

Mr. Salinas suffered from an infection on his arm due to intravenous drug use which continued to grow despite oral antibiotic treatments. He was transported to Shannon Medical Center hospital on January 11, 2021, for additional treatment and was admitted for care where he remained until his death on January 20, 2021. During this hospitalization, Mr. Salinas was uncooperative with treatments provided by his physicians and ultimately the infection spread into his chest wall. Mr. Salinas was transferred to ICU where he was placed on a ventilator. Mr. Salinas never recovered and ultimately died as a result of this infection. An autopsy report conducted by Thomas R. Parson, M.D. indicated cause of death to be "Complications of Abscess and Cellulitis" due to "Intravenous Drug Abuse".

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

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?: Pre-existing medical condition

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

Means of Death: Other, specify

Means of Death Other: Mr. Salinas died due to an infection caused by intravenous drug use which spread from his arm to his chest wall.

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 120 East Harris

City: San Angelo

County: Tom_Green

Zip: 76903

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

Location Category: Other, specify

Other Location Category:

Shannon Medical Center hospital

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

Type of Custody: Private Facility

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

Hospital/Infirmary

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: 1/9/2021 8:22 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:

Theft of Property<\$2,500.00 with 2 or more previous convictions.

Offense 2:

Criminal Trespass

Offense 3:

Resisting search or arrest

Were the Charges:: Filed

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

Type of Offense: Crime Against
Property

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?: No

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?:	No
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	No	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:

This inmate was booked into the Tom Green County Detention Facility on January 9, 2021. On January 11, 2021, the inmate was sent to Shannon Hospital for cellulitis secondary to substance abuse by injection. The inmate developed an infected area on his arm that continued to grow despite oral antibiotic treatment. On January 12, 2021, the inmate underwent a surgical procedure to drain the infected area on his arm. When the inmate awoke from the procedure, he became belligerent and verbally abusive to the hospital and correctional staff. On January 14, 2021, as the inmate received IV antibiotics for the arm infection, he began refusing all blood collection for laboratory testing. On January 16, 2021, the inmate underwent a second surgery on the infected area and developed an acute kidney injury due to the infection or other stressors on the body. On January 17, 2021, the inmate lost consciousness and suffered a possible seizure. His refusal of many diagnostic tests that providers ordered made accurately treating the inmate difficult and was a likely contributor to his medical condition. A third surgery was conducted on January 19, 2021, for continued irrigation and debridement of the infected area of his arm. When the inmate awoke from surgery, he immediately started yelling, cussing, and being belligerent with custody and medical staff. Later that date, the inmates' condition deteriorated quickly and the infection spread quickly into the chest wall. Hospital surgeons made the collective decision that further surgeries/interventions would be futile. The inmate was moved into

the ICU department and placed on a ventilator. The inmate passed away at approximately 12:28 AM on January 20, 2021. AN autopsy was conducted on January 20, 2021 by Thomas R. Parsons, M.D. at South Plains Forensic Pathology, P.A. The autopsy report indicated cause of death to be "Complications of Abscess and Cellulitis" due to "Intravenous Drug Abuse".