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Initial Details Released on Medical Emergency-Related Death of Incarcerated Individual at the Broome County Correctional Facility

(TOWN OF DICKINSON, NY) The Broome County Sheriff's Office released initial details on an investigation into the medical emergency-related death of a female incarcerated individual at the Broome County Correctional Facility that occurred within hours of being booked.

On Wednesday, October 8, 2025, Chelsey M. Davis, age 38 of Port Dickinson, NY was remanded to the Broome County Correctional Facility by the Town of Chenango Court. Following standard booking procedures, Davis received a full medical and substance abuse screening with Correctional Facility medical staff. Based on the screening and observation by medical staff, Davis was housed in the Medical Unit at the Facility. A short time later, Davis was seen by medical staff a second time as part of routine medical rounds. Following the second visit, medical staff was called back to her housing unit for a third examination, and staff reported finding Davis responsive and not exhibiting any issues to indicate a medical emergency. Twenty minutes after medical staff left Davis' unit, Davis experienced a medical emergency and Corrections and Medical staff responded, administered CPR and an AED, but were unable to revive her.

An autopsy was conducted today (October 9, 2025) and full results have not been received at the time of this release.

"Our entire staff is deeply saddened by the death of Chelsey Davis, and we extend our sincerest condolences to her family," said Sheriff Fred Akshar. "Any loss of life is tragic, but it hits especially close to home when it involves someone in our care. This is the first death our administration has encountered, and we are in the process of conducting a full review and investigation. However, from the initial reports and evidence, I am confident that our medical and correctional staff performed admirably and with vigilance, strictly adhering to their protocols and their training in their efforts to save Chelsea's life."

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The Broome County Correctional Facility is conducting a full investigation into the death and cooperating with the Office of NYS Attorney General and the New York State Commission on Corrections on a full review of the incident.

“I pledged transparency from the beginning, and we are fully cooperating with the Attorney General’s Office and the NYSCOC to ensure everything was done correctly and up to the standards set by state law and policies,” said Sheriff Akshar. “We hoped a tragic day like this would never come, but our team is committed to handling this situation the right way, meeting all statutory obligations and providing as much information to the public in this circumstance as we can.”

Sheriff Akshar released a full schedule of the events of the afternoon of October 8, 2025, based on various reports from Correctional Facility staff and emergency medical services workers:

2:14 PM – Taken into Custody

- Per the Town of Chenango Court, Chelsey Davis is taken into custody by the Broome County Sheriff’s Office and transferred to the Broome County Correctional Facility.

2:33 PM – Booking Process and Medical Screening (3:13 PM)

- Davis begins intake process at Broome County Correctional Facility.
- Booking and processing includes body scan, and pat search, along with various screenings for substance abuse, mental health, and various medical needs.
- Facility medical staff performs various medical, substance abuse and mental health screenings to determine Davis’ medical needs at the facility.
- Screenings and determinations are based on each incarcerated individual’s answers to questions about their medical history and conditions, combined with medical examination and observations by medical staff.
- During this screening process, any incarcerated individual showing signs of active withdrawal is immediately sent to a hospital.

3:37 PM – Transferred to Medical Unit

- Based on the results of her booking procedures and the findings of the medical screening, Davis is placed in a medical unit for further observation, monitoring and evaluation.

7:48 PM – Second Evaluation by Medical Staff

- As part of standard medical rounds, Davis receives a second medical evaluation.
- No signs of discomfort or distress noted by medical staff.

8:45 – 9:00 PM – Third Evaluation by Medical Staff

- Based on Davis’ behavior and communication, corrections staff requests another evaluation by Correctional Facility medical staff.
- Upon further evaluation, medical staff finds Davis responsive and not exhibiting any issues to indicate a medical emergency.

9:21 PM – Medical Emergency Occurs, Lifesaving Measures Attempted

- Corrections staff witnesses Davis experiencing a medical emergency and immediately responds along with members of the Correctional Facility medical staff to attempt life-saving measures on Davis, including CPR and utilizing an AED.
- Superior Ambulance is called and responds to the Correctional Facility.

9:44 PM – EMTs arrive to assist**10:12 PM – Lifesaving Measures Ceased**

- Davis is unable to be revived and pronounced deceased at the scene by an EMT in consultation with a physician.

“This is a heartbreaking outcome for all those involved,” said Sheriff Fred Akshar. “Despite this outcome, I am proud of the efforts of our Corrections and Medical staff in doing everything they could in a difficult situation.”

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