



**Commission of  
Correction**

**Final Report of the  
New York State Commission of Correction:**

**In the Matter of the Death of**

**Jeremy Eaton (19B0990)  
an incarcerated individual of the  
Mohawk Correctional Facility**

**December 18, 2024**

**To: Honorable Daniel F. Martuscello, III  
Commissioner  
NYS Department of Corrections  
And Community Supervision  
The Harriman State Campus  
1220 Washington Avenue  
Albany, New York 12226**

**Allen Riley**  
*Chairman*

**Yolanda Canty**  
*Commissioner*

**Elizabeth Gaynes**  
*Commissioner*

**GREETINGS:**

WHEREAS, the Medical Review Board has reported to the NYS Commission of Correction pursuant to Correction Law, section 47(1)(d), regarding the death of Jeremy Eaton, who died on August 13, 2022, while an incarcerated individual in the custody of the NYS Department of Corrections and Community Supervision at the Mohawk Correctional Facility, the Commission has determined that the following final report be issued.

**FINDINGS:**

1. Jeremy Eaton was a 45-year-old male who died on 8/13/22 from a suicidal hanging while in the custody of the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (NYS DOCCS) at the Mohawk Correctional Facility (CF).
2. Eaton was born in Warsaw, NY. Eaton was survived by his child and two siblings. Eaton received his high school diploma and was unemployed. There was no further demographic or social history available to the Commission for Eaton.
3. [REDACTED]
4. On 4/26/19, Eaton was admitted into NYS DOCCS at Wende CF Reception [REDACTED]. On 4/29/19, Eaton was transferred from Wende CF Reception to Elmira CF Reception for program purposes. On 5/3/19, Eaton was transferred from Elmira CF Reception to Ulster CF Reception for program purposes. On 8/2/19, Eaton was transferred from Ulster CF Reception to Franklin CF for assessment purposes. On 3/19/21, Eaton was transferred from Franklin CF to Mohawk CF for the Sex Offender Counseling and Treatment Program (SOCTP). This is where Eaton remained until the terminal event.
5. [REDACTED]
6. [REDACTED]
7. During Eaton's incarceration, Eaton received one Tier II infraction at Mohawk CF for smoking. Eaton's sanction included no commissary and no recreation for 30 days.
8. On 4/19/21, Eaton began working as an industries worker in food service at Mohawk CF.
9. On 8/13/22 at 4:50 a.m., Correction Officer (CO) T.D. documented in the Walsh Messhall logbook being on duty with all issued state equipment and all tools accounted for.



that if the family member did not help him, he would come home with a gash on his face. Eaton contacted the family member and reported that he was going through depression with suicidal thoughts, and that he wrote to mental health and asked to talk to them. Eaton reported to the family member, "I fucked up, I took some drugs and I owe some money". The family member reported that she was not going to help Eaton and told him to "grow the fuck up" before hanging up the phone on Eaton. There was no documentation indicating that Eaton had written to or attempted to access to mental health.

ACTIONS REQUIRED:

That this case be closed as a suicide.

WITNESS, HONORABLE YOLANDA CANTY, Commissioner, NYS Commission of Correction, Alfred E. Smith State Office Building, 80 South Swan Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, in the City of Albany, New York 12210 on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024.



Yolanda Canty  
Commissioner  
Commission of Correction

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