While reviewing staffing rosters, it was determined that the 1 jailer per 48 inmates required ratio was not being met at all times as required by minimum jail standards. On samples reviewed, during every month of 2013, several shifts were found to have a shortage of jailers for the number of inmates in the facility. Shortages were normally between one to two jailers, but in some cases, they were three jailers short of meeting the requirement.
Identification. Procedures for intake screening to identify inmates who are known to be or observed to be mentally disabled and/or potentially suicidal and procedures for compliance with Code of Criminal Procedure Article 16.22 and referrals to available mental health officials;

While reviewing inmate medical files, it was discovered that the facility had no procedure to notify a magistrate in the case of an inmate with prior mental health history on the CCQ system or suicide screening instrument. The CCQs that were received by the department were being maintained in the medical files, but were not being reviewed for substance. This inspector outlined that a procedure for reviewing CCQ’s for exact matches and determining possible matches be prepared. Also that the procedure would need to contain how and when the magistrate was notified, in the event of a match on the CCQ or the Suicide/Mental Health Screening form. Also during the review of medical files the one exact match on the CCQ system that was found, was pulled so corrective action could be taken with proper notification.

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