



NEW YORK CITY
BOARD OF CORRECTION

July 26, 2016 - Public Meeting Minutes

Continuing Variance Request from BOC Minimum Standard § 1-02(c)(1)

Dr. Ross MacDonald, Correctional Health Services Chief of Medicine, presented H+H's request for a continuing variance which would allow for inmates aged 18 through 21 to be housed together with inmates over the age of 21 in the following specialized units: the Rose M. Singer Center (RMSC) infirmary, RMSC nursery, and RMSC pregnant inmate housing.¹

Chair Brezenoff asked for a motion on the request for a variance. Vice-Chair Cephas moved and Member Bryant seconded. Chair Brezenoff then asked for discussion. Executive Director King clarified the housing areas subject to the variance and Dr. MacDonald confirmed. Chair Brezenoff then asked for a vote on the variance. The variance passed unanimously (Chair Brezenoff, Vice Chair Cephas, Members Bryant, Cohen, and Regan).

¹ On November 10, 2015, the NYC Board of Correction ("Board") granted a request submitted by NYC Health + Hospitals for a continuing variance from BOC Minimum Standard §1-02(c)(1), which required that "no later than October 15, 2015...inmates ages 18 through 21 be housed separately and apart from inmates over the age of 21." The variance allowed the Department of Correction to house inmates from these two age groups together in specialized mental health units, including, but not limited to, the Program for Accelerating Clinical Effectiveness (PACE) and Clinical Alternative to Punitive Segregation (CAPS) units and for the provision of services through the KEEP program at Anna M. Kross Center (AMKC) , and in the NIC infirmary and West Facility communicable disease unit (CDU).