New York City Department of Correction Monthly Report on Medical Appointment Non-Production April 2025

Pursuant to Local Law 132 of 2019, the Department is required to report on a monthly basis an aggregate report on non-production of individuals in custody to scheduled medical appointments (i.e., encounters). Individuals in custody can refuse an appointment at any time. The Department recognizes the importance of medical care for incarcerated individuals but does not use force to compel them to go to their appointment.

Individuals seeking the medical care provided by Correctional Health Services (CHS) can use the Sick Call Triage phoneline to request a medical appointment. Individuals with chronic conditions or those requiring a close follow up appointment frequently have appointments automatically scheduled for them by CHS. The Department tracks the number of medical appointments (i.e., encounters) scheduled by CHS at facility clinics, elsewhere on Rikers Island, or off-island for any number of reasons, including but not limited to medical, medication distribution, dental, mental health, Brad H discharge planning, and on-island/off-island specialist appointments. On a given day, individuals may have more than one scheduled appointment and they may not complete any or all appointments for a variety of reasons; production to each medical encounter is tracked and reported separately. The below data represents the number of CHS scheduled medical appointments for which an individual was not produced in the month of April 2025.

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April 2025 Overall Non-Production Report									
Facility	Court	Visits	Production Refusal ¹	Walkout ²	Programming	Barbershop	Recreation	Other ³	Total
EMTC	616	7	884	0	4	15	40	415	1,984
GRVC	112	30	549	25	15	16	51	227	1,025
NIC	83	0	41	17	7	2	20	54	224
OBCC	279	10	3,325	56	2	2	4	2,317	5,995
RESH	41	0	284	6	3	0	0	22	356
RMSC	345	11	507	99	1	2	1	57	1,023
RNDC	147	6	849	8	22	5	42	522	1,601
WEST	75	4	107	243	7	8	17	118	579
Total	1,698	68	6,546	454	61	50	175	3,732	12,784

¹ Production Refusal is a term used to describe an instance of an incarcerated individual refusing to be escorted to the clinic for their CHS scheduled medical appointment. In such cases, CHS may reschedule the appointment for a later time or date.

² Walkout is a term used to describe an instance of an incarcerated individual leaving the clinic before being seen by a healthcare professional. In such cases, CHS may reschedule the appointment for a later time or date.

³ Other includes but is not limited to instances where an incarcerated individual chooses to instead attend a work assignment, law library, school or religious services or when maximum clinic capacity has been reached, when no escort is available, or when movement is limited due to a lockdown, search, or alarm.

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April 2025 Production Refusal Reasons							
Facility	"I do not want the service/I do not want to go to the service"5	"I am Not Coming Now and Will Come Later"	No Reason Provided	Total			
EMTC	884	0	0	884			
GRVC	298	47	204	549			
NIC	37	3	1	41			
OBCC	1,010	2,107	208	3,325			
RESH	133	3	148	284			
RMSC	20	486	1	507			
RNDC	824	12	13	849			
WEST	75	24	8	107			
Total	3,281	2,682	583	6,546			

April 2025 Walkout Reasons							
Facility	"Upon Entry, I do Not Want to Wait"	"I Am No Longer Waiting for the Appointment"	No Reason Provided	Total			
EMTC	0	0	0	0			
GRVC	10	1	14	25			
NIC	0	0	17	17			
OBCC	34	5	17	56			
RESH	1	0	5	6			
RMSC	27	9	63	99			
RNDC	3	5	0	8			
WEST	77	33	133	243			
Total	152	53	249	454			

⁴ In some instances, appointments are requested by incarcerated individuals, while in others, CHS schedules follow-up appointments based off their initial assessment. If an individual requests an appointment but no longer wants the service, an additional appointment is scheduled at the discretion of CHS.