New York City Department of Correction Monthly Report on Medical Appointment Non-Production April 2022

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 appointment for which an individual was not produced in the month of April 2022.

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April 2022 Overall Non-Production Report									
Facility	Court	Visits	Production Refusal ¹	Walkout ²	Programming	Barbershop	Recreation	Other ³	Total
AMKC	244	2	2,655	48	12	0	4	801	3,766
EMTC	164	2	376	15	0	0	0	25	582
GRVC	144	0	679	13	0	0	0	0	836
NIC	96	5	516	2	22	0	6	101	748
ОВСС	39	1	301	0	6	0	1	1,448	1,796
RMSC	138	7	486	21	4	0	0	99	755
RNDC	144	4	1,061	25	10	0	65	1,277	2,586
VCBC	151	0	535	0	2	0	5	27	720
Total	1,120	21	6,609	124	56	0	81	3,778	11,789

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, religious services, or commissary, when no escort is available, or when movement is limited due to a lockdown, search, or alarm.

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April 2022 Production Refusal Reasons							
Facility	"I do not want the service/I do not want to go to the service"4	"I am Not Coming Now and Will Come Later"	No Reason Provided	Total			
AMKC	2,480	164	11	2,655			
EMTC	305	30	41	376			
GRVC	441	0	238	679			
NIC	465	7	44	516			
OBCC	301	0	0	301			
RMSC	417	62	7	486			
RNDC	589	166	306	1,061			
VCBC	534	1	0	535			
Total	5,532	430	647	6,609			

April 2022 Walkout Reasons							
Facility	"Upon Entry, I do Not Want to Wait"	"I Am No Longer Waiting for the Appointment"	No Reason Provided	Total			
AMKC	5	40	3	48			
EMTC	10	5	0	15			
GRVC	5	7	1	13			
NIC	0	0	2	2			
OBCC	0	0	0	0			
RMSC	12	9	0	21			
RNDC	2	0	23	25			
VCBC	0	0	0	0			
Total	34	61	29	124			

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.