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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	21-801-CJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	4/11/2022 2:02 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Hidalgo County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	PO BOX 1228
Agency City:	Edinburg	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78540		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Jose
Director Middle Name:	E		
Director Last Name:	Guerra		
Reporter Name:	Tony Garza	Reporter Email:	tony.garza@hidalgoso.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Mary

Middle Name: Ann

Last Name: Johnson

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 6/3/1965

Sex: Female

Race: Black or African American

Age At Time Of Death: 56

Date/Time of Custody (arrest, incarceration) (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 6/17/2021 7:24 PM

Date/Time of Death (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Death Date and Time: 6/20/2021 6:23 PM

Manner / Cause of Death

Has a medical examiner or coroner conducted an evaluation to determine a cause of death?

Medical Examiner/Coroner Evaluation?: Yes, results are available

What was the manner of death? (select only one)

Manner of Death: Natural

Medical Cause of Death:

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Heart - Acute Ischemic Changes. Small Vessel Atherosclerotic Disease. Extensive Old Scarring and Fibrosis. Cardiomegaly (Enlarged Heart).
Coronaries - Moderate Atherosclerotic Disease.
Stomach - Intestinal Wall Serosal Hemorrhage, Clots, Peritoneal Cavity Hemorrhage
Lungs - Diffuse Interstitial Fibrosis. Sclerotic small vessel Disease. Increased Acute Inflammatory Cells Suggesting Sepsis.

Had the decedent been receiving treatment for the medical condition that caused the death after admission to your jail's jurisdiction?

Medical Treatment:	No

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, who caused the death?

Who caused the death?:	Not applicable

If a weapon caused the death, what type of weapon caused the death? (Hold CTRL to select all that apply)

Type of weapon that caused death?:	Not Applicable

Was the cause of death the result of a pre-existing medical condition or did the decedent develop the condition after admission?

Pre existing medical condition?:	Pre-existing medical condition

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, what was the means of death?

Means of Death:	Not applicable, cause of death was illness/natural cause

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	701 El Cibolo Rd	City:	Edinburg
County:	Hidalgo	Zip:	78539

What location category best describes where the event causing the death occurred?

Location Category:	Law Enforcement Facility

What type of custody/facility was the Decedent in at the time of death:

Type of Custody:	County Jail

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:
Jail - detox cell

What was the time and date of the deceased's entry into the law enforcement facility where the death occurred (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Entry Date Time:	6/17/2021 7:24 PM

Where did the death occur?

Death Location:	Medical facility

General Information

Did any other law enforcement agencies respond to calls for service related to this incident?

Other Agencies Respond?: No

What were the most serious offense(s) with which the deceased was (or would have been) charged with at the time of death?

Offense 1:

Possession of Marijuana B-Misdemeanor

Offense 2:

Failure to Identify Fugitive

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: Filed

What were the types of charges or reason for contact? (Hold CTRL to select all that apply)

Type of Offense: Alcohol / drug offense

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent display or use a weapon?

Decedent display/use of weapons: No

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Attempt to Injure Others?: No

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Appear intoxicated (alcohol or drugs): No

Make suicidal statements?: No

Exhibit any mental health problems?: No

Exhibit any medical problems?: No

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Barricade self or initiate standoff?:	No	Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	No
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	No	Gain possession of officer's weapon:	No
Verbally threaten other(s) including law:	No	Escape or attempt to escape/flee custody:	No
Attempt gain possession officer's weapon:	No		

Was the deceased under restraint in the time leading up to the death or the events causing the death?

Under Restraint:	No

Summary of Incident

Summary of How the Death Occurred: (max. 30,000 characters)

Summary:

On June 20, 2021 at approximately 4:32 AM, while making his checks, a Detention Officer noticed a female inmate identified as Mary Ann Johnson in a cell standing by the restroom divider. Officer noticed that the inmate appeared to be breathing heavily. Cell door was opened and the officer held on to the inmate as she began to collapse. Officer called for help and the inmate was placed in a wheelchair then taken to infirmary. Inmate calmed down and was responsive to questions from the nurse, but then began to breath heavily again. Inmate reported an urgency to go to the restroom and was escorted as she walked on her own. Once in the restroom, she began to stiffen up and appeared to be having a seizure and stopped breathing. Inmate was placed on a stretcher, medical staff and officers began CPR and called for an ambulance.

Inmate was transported to the Edinburg Medical Center at 5:20 AM in Cardiac Arrest and "Coded" on the way. Once at the hospital, staff were able to revive her but at 6:23 AM inmate Mary Ann Johnson "Coded" once more and was pronounced dead at the hospital.

Justice of the Peace ordered a full autopsy.