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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	22-1390-CJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	1/12/2023 1:42 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Dallas County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	133 N. Riverfront Blvd.
Agency City:	Dallas	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	75207		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Marian
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Brown		
Reporter Name:	TERESA HERNANDEZ	Reporter Email:	tahernandez@dallascounty.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Ariel

Middle Name: Nicole

Last Name: henley

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 12/4/1996 Sex: Female

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 25

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 9/23/2022 6:12 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 10/5/2022 7:46 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:

Medical Cause of Death:

Angioinvasive pulmonary mucormycosis and bacterial pneumonia associated with diabetes mellitus and COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2) infection.

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

Medical Treatment: Unknown

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?: Could not be determined

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:	111 W. Commerce St.	City:	Dallas
County:	Dallas	Zip:	75207

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:

Hospital/Infirmary

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:	9/23/2022 6:12 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?:	Yes

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:

Dallas County P/V Theft Property $2,500<$30K

Offense 2:

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: A probation/parole violation

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

Type of Offense: Crime Against Property

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):	Unknown	Make suicidal statements?:	No
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	No	Exhibit any medical problems?:	Unknown

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 Friday, September 23, 2022, at approximately 6:12 p.m., Ariel Nicole Henley (W/F 12-04-1996, 25 yoa) was booked into the Dallas County Jail at 111 W. Commerce St. City of Dallas, Dallas County, TX 75207, for a Dallas County Probation Violation - theft Property >=$2,500<$30K, warrant (F1648260J). HENLEY remained in the Dallas County Jail, BNO 22036587.
On Wednesday, October 5, 2022, at approximately 5:02 p.m., HENLEY was reassigned to the North Tower Gill Hernandez Medical Facility, Unit NG03, Bed #8.
On Wednesday, October 5, 2022, at approximately 6:30 p.m., HENLEY was lying on her bed when jail staff recognized that she was choking on what appeared to be blood coming from her mouth.
Additional jail staff and facility medical staff responded. HENLEY was transported by ground ambulance to the Emergency Room at Parkland Memorial Hospital at 5200 Harry Hines Blvd., City of Dallas, Dallas County, TX 75235.
On Wednesday, October 5, 2022, at approximately 7:46 p.m., Doctor Melissa Smith (PMH) pronounced Ariel Nicole Henley (W/F 12-04-1996, 25 yoa) deceased.
On Thursday, October 6, 2022, a forensic autopsy was conducted at the Dallas County Medical Examiner's Office, and the findings are pending, IFS-22-19890-ME.
DSO Service #22-053886.

FINDINGS:
I. Per report, the decedent was an inmate and was hospitalized on September 28, 2022 for complaints of cough, right sided chest pain, and uncontrolled diabetes mellitus:
A. Clinical history of type I diabetes mellitus:
1. Clinical history of previous episodes of diabetic ketoacidosis
B. Clinical history of G3P2002 with second trimester pregnancy (26 weeks gestational age)
C. Initial evaluation and radiologic imaging on hospital admission revealed:
1. Tachycardia
2. Normotensive and afebrile
3. Diminished breath sounds bilaterally
4. Consolidation of the right lower lung lobe
5. Leukocytosis (elevated white blood cell count), anemia, and thrombophilia
6. Blood glucose 282 mg/dL and Hemoglobin A1C 9.6%
7. Negative for respiratory viruses including COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2), influenza, and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)
D. Clinical history of sputum culture on September 29, 2022 positive for heavy growth of Stenotrophomonas

maltophilia status post empiric antibiotic therapy
E. Her clinical condition improved and she was discharged back to jail on October 5, 2022
F. Later in the day on October 5, 2022, the decedent reportedly went into cardiac arrest at the jail following large volume hematemesis.
Despite resuscitative efforts, she could not be revived and was pronounced dead in the emergency department.
II. Angioinvasive pulmonary mucormycosis and bacterial pneumonia:
A. Pulmonary congestion and edema, combined lung weight 1310 grams, with irregular consolidation, namely within the right lung lobe
B. Microscopic lung parenchyma with angioinvasive mucormycosis, bacterial pneumonia with Gram positive coccoidal organisms, and diffuse alveolar damage superimposed
on organizing pneumonia
C. Grossly aspirated blood within the parenchyma of both lungs
III. Postmortem nasopharyngeal swab is positive for SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19)
IV. Intrauterine pregnancy:
A. Male fetus, 1060 grams:
1. Measurements consistent with 26 weeks gestational age
2. No evidence of maceration
3. No congenital anomalies or external dysmorphisms
B. Three-vessel umbilical cord with one true knot
C. Unremarkable placenta with no gross abnormalities

CONCLUSIONS:
Based on the case history and autopsy findings, it is our opinion that Ariel Nicole Henley, a 25-year-old female, died as the result of angioinvasive pulmonary mucormycosis and bacterial pneumonia associated with diabetes mellitus and COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2) infection.

MANNER OF DEATH: Natural

Jessica B. Dwyer, M.D.
Medical Examiner
12-22-2022