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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	25-561-CJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	12/2/2025 2:00 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:	Youashavion Williams	Reporter Email:	youashavion.williams@dallascounty.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Quinnetta

Middle Name: Ariana

Last Name: Brinkley

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 11/7/2003

Sex: Female

Race: Black or African American

Age At Time Of Death: 21

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 7/13/2025 8:20 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 7/13/2025 9:25 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: Accidental

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Based on autopsy results, Decedent died as a result of toxic effects of Fentanyl (Fentanyl Toxicity)

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

Medical Treatment:	Not Applicable

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

Who caused the death?:	Other detainee(s)

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?:	Not Applicable; cause of death was accidental injury, intoxication, suicide or homicide

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

Means of Death:	Other, specify
Means of Death Other:	Based on autopsy results, Decedent died as a result of toxic effects of Fentanyl (Fentanyl Toxicity)

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	111 Commerce Street	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:
Jail - multiple occupancy 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:	3/21/2025 12:22 AM

Where did the death occur?

Death Location:	Law enforcement facility/booking center

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:

Assault Causes B/I Retaliation w/ Govt. Employee

Offense 2:

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: Violent Crime
Against Persons

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):	Yes	Make suicidal statements?:	No
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	Yes	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 July 13, 2025, at approximately 8:23p.m., Dallas County Sheriff's Department jail personnel were conducting a "face-to-face" walk through security rounds. They were notified by multiple inmates, that Quinnetta Ariana Brinkley B/F 11/07/2003 (Decedent), and another inmate, were "not moving". The officers observed the Decedent laying on her bunk and was unresponsive.

The officers called for additional staff and medical personnel who responded to the location. Medical personnel determined that the Decedent needed to be transported to Parkland Memorial Hospital (PMH) for additional treatment. The officers were then notified of two additional inmates that began to have the same symptoms as the first two, and that one of them had smuggled Fentanyl into the jail in her vagina, which all four of the affected inmates allegedly had taken.

The Decedent was transported to Parkland Memorial Hospital (PHM) and upon arrival, was pronounced deceased at 9:25p.m., by Dr. Stacy Hail M.D.

Autopsy was conducted on 07/15/2025 the following are the medical findings:
1. Toxic effects of Fentanyl:
A. Postmortem toxicology positive for fentanyl and norfentanyl
B. See Toxicology results

2. History that the decedent was found unresponsive inside the Dallas County jail. She was transported to the hospital where resuscitation efforts were unsuccessful.

Conclusions:
Based on the case history and autopsy findings, it is the opinion of Medical Examiner Travis Danielsen M.D that Quinnetta Brinkley, a 21-year-old Black female, died as a result of toxic effects of fentanyl "Fentanyl Toxicity"

Manner of Death: ACCIDENT

Dallas County Sheriff's Department
Detective J.M. Cox #435
Criminal Investigation Section