August 6, 2020

TO: All Sheriffs and Jail Administrators

RE: UPDATE - FLORIDA MODEL JAIL STANDARDS JAIL AND MEDICAL CERTIFICATION AND JAIL AND MEDICAL RECERTIFICATION TRAINING FOR 2020

Dear Sheriffs and Jail Administrators:

Due to the SARs COV-2, COVID-19, Coronavirus Pandemic in the State of Florida the scheduled 2020 Jail and Medical Recertification and the Jail and Medical Recertifications Training are suspended.

Jail and Medical Inspectors whose certification would have expired December 31, 2020 will have their certification(s) extended by the Florida Sheriffs Association until June 30, 2021.

An Online Jail and Medical Recertification Program is now being developed for use by inspectors, once the program is ready Sheriffs and Jail Administrators will be notified, and the notice will be posted to the FSA Website with instructions for their inspectors.

Inspectors are reminded on their requirements to maintain their certification in Chapter 2, Employee Regulations of the Florida Model Jail Standards.

In addition, the memorandum dated February 21, 2020 from the FMJS Chairman, Sheriff Bill Farmer changing Chapter 2, Employee Regulations, 2.2 for Jail Inspectors and 2.3 for Medical Inspectors and their Annual Inspections requirements is hereby suspended until January 1, 2022.

Any questions regarding this matter please contact Isaiah Dennard, Jail Services Coordinator, idennard@fisheriffs.org, Florida Sheriffs Association.

Since then:
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