

# METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY



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Mr. Damon T. Hininger  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
CoreCivic  
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Dear Mr. Hininger,

The Metropolitan Government is concerned by the recent allegations, both reported in the media and discussed in pending litigation, regarding the spread of what appears to be scabies throughout the Metro correctional facility and jail operated by your company located at 5115 Harding Place. In addition to serious problems that inmates have reported experiencing, this outbreak has resulted in a completely unnecessary disruption in the lives of Metro employees and the court system in general.

While the Metropolitan Public Health Department is working with your staff to determine the facts surrounding this outbreak, including any deficiencies or delays in identifying and treating the inmates, it is imperative that CoreCivic provide the Metropolitan Government with a detailed Corrective Action Plan that fully addresses how CoreCivic will ensure that an outbreak of this scale is prevented in the future. This Corrective Action Plan must address the identification of contagious diseases or vermin, the plan for containing and treating affected individuals, and the notification of relevant stakeholders. The Corrective Action Plan must also recognize any additional measures that are necessary when housing individuals in custody awaiting trial, rather than individuals who are serving a fixed sentence.

Further, as an act of good will, the Metropolitan Government requests that you cover the out-of-pocket medical expenses incurred by Metro employees and their families resulting from this scabies outbreak.

The Corrective Action Plan described above is a first step in addressing this situation and should be submitted to the Department of Health no later than July 1, 2017. Also, please let us know by July 1, 2017, whether you will agree to cover the out-of-pocket medical expenses for employees and their families.

Kind regards,

  
Megan Barry  
Mayor

cc: Mr. Jason D. Medlin, Managing Director, Facility Operations, Division 3