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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

PA Number: PA16293CJ

Report Date: 7/12/2016 11:57 AM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Department ID: 361

Department Type: SHERIFF

Agency Name: Harris County Sheriff's Office

Agency Number: TX1010000

Agency Phone: 7137557341

Agency Address: 1200 Baker Street

Agency City: Houston

Agency County: Harris

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 77002

Director Information

Director Salutation:

Sheriff

Director First Name:

Ron

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name:

Hickman

Reporter Name: Ronny R. Taylor

Reporter Email: ronny.taylor@sheriff.hctx.net

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 1401 St. Joseph
Pkw

City: Houston

County: Harris

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

Custody Type Facility:

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:

Entry Date Time N/A: ☒

Where did the death occur?

Death Location: At medical facility

Death Location Elsewhere:

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Maurice

Middle Name:

Last Name: Hawkins

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 3/2/1973

Sex: Male

Ethnicity: African-American

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

Death Date and Time: 7/6/2016 3:09 PM

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident:

3/2/2016 7:38 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:

Other

Manner of Death Description:

Undetermined

Death Reason:

Not applicable

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Undetermined

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

Medical Treatment:

Yes

Medical Treatment Description:

Autopsy Pending / On Medication for Seizures / High Blood Pressure.

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

Who caused the death?:

Don't know

Death Causer Other:

If a weapon caused the death, what type of weapon caused the death? (mark all that apply)

Type of Death Weapon:

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?:

Don't know

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

Means of Death:

Don't know

General Information

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:

Theft

Offense 2:

Burglary of Motor Vehicle

Offense 3:

Were the Charges::

Filed

What were the types of charges or reason for contact?

Type of Offense:

Injuries of Decedent

Injured By: Injured by NA

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

Appear intoxicated (alcohol or drugs): No

Exhibit any mental health problems?:

Exhibit any medical problems?:

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

Threaten the officer(s) involved: No

Resist being handcuffed or arrested?: No

Try to escape/flee from custody: No

Grab, hit or fight with the officer(s): No

Other Behavior:



Specify Other Behavior:

Use weapon threaten/assault officer(s): 0

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 6, 2016, Inmate Maurice Hawkins (SPN 01998566) died in custody at St Joseph Hospital located at 1401 St Joseph Parkway, Houston, Texas 77002. Inmate Hawkins was pronounced deceased by attending physician Dr. Carol Strickland with CIMA Hospice Care at 03:09 hours. Inmate Hawkins, a Black male, 43 years of age had been in the custody of the Harris County Sheriff's Office since his arrest for Theft from Person and Burglary of Motor Vehicle with a \$7,500.00 bond on each case. Case # 1504284 (Theft) and #1500980 (Burg) are assigned to the 230th District Court. The following is a synopsis of the death of Inmate Hawkins: On March 2, 2016, @ 19:38 hours, Inmate Hawkins was processed into the Harris County Jail for Theft from Person and Burglary of a Motor Vehicle, with a \$7,500.00 bond on each case. June 14, 2016, at approximately 0545 hours Detention Officer Avila was advised by inmate Hawkins he was not feeling well, asking Avila to contact Medical. June 14, 2016, at approximately 0600 hours, Inmate Hawkins was escorted to 701 Medical by staff. June 14, 2016, Inmate Hawkins was subsequently transferred to 1200 Medical for further medical evaluation. June 14, 2016, after evaluation by Medical staff, Inmate Hawkins was subsequently transported back to his housing location, 7K1. June 14, 2016, at approximately 1148 hours D.O. Rodgers was advised by inmates of 7K1 that an inmate was having a seizure. Rodgers advised the clinic Inmate Hawkins was suffering another medical emergency. At 1152 hours Medical personnel responded, transporting ~Hawkins to the 701 Clinic. Inmate Hawkins was subsequently transported to St. Joseph Hospital by HFD Unit #17. June 14, 2016 at approximately 12:45 hours, (upon arrival at ER) Inmate Hawkins was placed on life support. June 30, 2016, at approximately 15:42 hours, Inmate Hawkins was removed from life support. July 6, 2016, Inmate Hawkins was pronounced deceased by Dr. Carol Strickland with CIMA Hospice Care at 03:09 hours. In-Custody Death Notifications were made by Deputy Duke and Communications. Autopsy pending.