



NEWS RELEASE

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This morning shortly after shift change at 6:00 a.m. inmate Nathaniel Bar Jonah MSP #AO 31569 was found unresponsive in his cell. Emergency medical response was initiated and he was transported to Powell County Memorial Hospital where he was pronounced dead at 7:06 a.m. Cause of death of unknown at this time.

The death is under investigation by the Department of Corrections investigators who are working in cooperation with Powell County Sheriff's Office. Bar Jonah has been in poor health recently. An autopsy will be performed by the state medical examiner to determine cause of death.

Nathaniel Bar Jonah was convicted of Aggravated Kidnapping (10 years), Sexual Assault (100 years) and Assault with a Weapon (20 years) out of Cascade County.

Inmate Bar Jonah was not parole eligible and his discharge date was November 13, 2129.

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