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Autopsy Findings Released on Medical Emergency-Related Death of Chelsey Davis at the Broome County Correctional Facility

(TOWN OF DICKINSON, NY) With approval from the family of Chelsey Davis, The Broome County Sheriff's Office released the autopsy findings of her death that occurred within hours of entering the Broome County Correctional Facility.

According to the Broome County Coroner's autopsy report, Chelsey Davis' cause of death was listed as "Chronic Alcohol Use with Hepatic Cirrhosis," with contributing factors listed as "hemorrhagic pancreas, cardiac hypertrophy, <and> atherosclerotic coronary disease." The toxicology report found no alcohol or controlled substances in her system at the time of her death.

"On behalf of the men and women of the Broome County Sheriff's Office, our hearts remain with the family of Chelsey Davis during this incredibly difficult time," said Sheriff Fred Akshar. "This was the first death our administration had encountered, but I hope Chelsey's family can find some comfort in knowing that our medical and correctional staff performed admirably and with vigilance, doing everything they could to save Chelsey's life. We have remained in contact with Chelsey's family throughout this investigation, and we are grateful for their approval to release the results. We also thank the community for their patience as we strive to be as transparent as possible, while also respecting the family's wishes during these heartbreakingly difficult circumstances."

The family of Chelsey Davis released the following statement:

"Chelsey's tragic death stemmed from emotional trauma and a resulting depression that led to chronic alcohol abuse. Our family prays that the community respects our privacy during this difficult time."

Both the internal investigation at the Broome County Correctional Facility and an investigation from the NYS Office of Attorney General found no clinical or administrative malfeasance by the corrections or medical staff. The report from the New York State Commission on

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Corrections has not been completed.

On Wednesday, October 8, 2025, Chelsey M. Davis, age 38 of Port Dickinson, NY, was remanded to the Broome County Correctional Facility by the Town of Chenango Court. Following standard booking procedures, Davis received a full medical and substance abuse screening with Correctional Facility medical staff before being housed in the Medical Unit at the Facility. Over the next several hours, Davis was seen by medical staff two additional times, finding Davis responsive and not exhibiting any issues to indicate a medical emergency. Twenty minutes after the third visit with medical staff, Davis experienced a medical emergency and Corrections and Medical staff responded, administered CPR and an AED, but were unable to revive her.

“I pledged transparency from the beginning, and we have been fully cooperating with the Attorney General’s Office and the NYSCOC to ensure everything was done correctly and up to the standards set by state law and policies,” said Sheriff Akshar. “We hoped a tragic day like this would never come, but our team is committed to handling this situation the right way, meeting all statutory obligations and providing as much information to the public in this circumstance as we can.”

Sheriff Akshar previously released a full schedule of the events of the afternoon of October 8, 2025, based on various reports from Correctional Facility staff and emergency medical services workers, which can be found [here](#).

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