AUTHORITY:

A. NMSA 1978, Section 33-1-6 as amended.
B. Policy CD-010100.

REFERENCES:

B. ACA Standards 4-4284, 4-4344, 4-4394, 4-4410, 4-4429, and 4-4446; Manual of Standards for Adult Correctional Institutions, 4th Edition.

PURPOSE:

To establish an administrative means for the expression and/or the efficient and fair resolution of legitimate inmate grievances and provide for an appeal process; to provide a regularly available channel for hearing and resolving concerns of inmates; to provide a mechanism to help keep managers informed and better able to carry out the Department's mission; and to meet national standards. [2-CO-3C-01] [2-CI-5A-7]

APPLICABILITY:

All inmates incarcerated in the New Mexico Corrections Department, employees, volunteers, consultants and contract persons or entities employed on behalf of the Department in connection with the incarceration of or provision of services to New Mexico state inmates.

FORMS:

A. Inmate Grievance Form (CD-150501.1) (2 pages)
B. Inmate 2-Day Notice of Receipt of Formal Grievance Form (CD-150501.2)
C. Inmate Informal Complaint Form (CD-150501.3)
ATTACHMENTS:

A. **Emergency Grievance Status Log** Attachment (CD-150501.A)
B. **Miscellaneous Grievance Status Log** Attachment (CD-150501.B)
C. **Grievance Monthly Statistic Log** Attachment (CD-150501.C)

DEFINITIONS:

A. **Department**: The New Mexico Corrections Department and contract employees.

B. **Emergency Grievance**: The Warden or a designee may implement emergency grievance procedures when there are indications of potential and substantial risk to the life or safety of the individual or when irreparable harm to the individual’s health is imminent.

C. **Exhaustion of Administrative Remedies**: The completion of the grievance process through the Department level appeal.

D. **Frivolous or Multiple Grievances**: The filing of repetitive grievances addressing the same issue where sufficient time for a response has not elapsed or where a valid response has been provided, unless there are continuing grievous violations of the same type or unless any relief granted on a prior grievance has not been provided within a reasonable period of time.

E. **Grievance**: A written complaint by an inmate on the inmate’s own behalf regarding a policy applicable within an institution, a condition in an institution, or an incident occurring within an institution.

F. **Grievance Coordinator**: An Administrator who is responsible for processing appeals made to the Secretary. The Grievance Coordinator shall not be an employee of, nor subject to control by, an institution or prison; and should normally be an employee from Central Office.

G. **Grievance Officer**: The person or persons at each institution designated to receive formal grievances from inmates and to investigate, resolve and/or recommend disposition to the Warden.

H. **Informal Resolution**: A resolution reached by the grieving inmate and staff without going through formal grievance procedures.
I. Inmate: A person incarcerated within the New Mexico Corrections Department penal system regardless of whether the person was convicted in New Mexico or is in New Mexico pursuant to an interstate compact agreement.

J. Remedy: A meaningful response, action, restitution or redress for the successful inmate grievant.

K. Reprisal: Any action or threat of action against anyone for the good faith participation in the grievance procedure.

L. Secretary: The Cabinet Secretary of the Corrections Department.

M. Sexual Misconduct: Any behavior and/or act of a sexual nature directed towards an offender by another offender, a Department employee, contractor, volunteer, visitor or Department representative. This includes acts or attempts to commit acts including, but not limited to, sexual assault, sexual abuse, sexual harassment, sexual contact, conduct of a sexual nature or implication, kissing, hugging, sexual gratification of any party, obscenity or unreasonable invasion of privacy by the act of observing, attempting to observe, or interfering in an offender’s personal, intimate routines unrelated to the necessary performance of required job duties. Sexual misconduct also includes, but is not limited to, conversations or correspondence of a romantic or sexual nature between an offender and any Department employee, contractor, volunteer, visitor, or Department representative.

POLICY:

All management shall stress the importance of treating all inmate grievances as serious.

A. Communication of Procedures:

1. Under no circumstances will an inmate be denied the right to file a grievance.

2. A written copy and oral summary of this policy and procedure will be provided to each inmate during orientation at the Reception and Diagnostic Centers (RDC and NMWCF) and thereafter upon reasonable request at the expense of the inmate. Staff will be provided a copy of this policy and procedure during their orientation process, as well as an oral summary of its contents. Copies of all policies and procedures regarding inmate grievances will be maintained at each institution and will be made available for review upon request by inmates or employees.
3. Upon arriving at the Reception and Diagnostic Center, inmates will be presented with written notification of the inmate grievance procedure. Notification will be provided in both English and Spanish; special provisions shall be made for sight-impaired or mentally disabled inmates. Written notification will include the following information:

   a. A list of matters that are grievable and non-grievable;
   b. Description of grievance forms and location where the forms can be obtained;
   c. Description of grievance process, including time limits at each level;
   d. Description of steps taken to assure confidentiality;
   e. Description of what constitutes abuse/misuse of the grievance procedure; and
   f. Location of policies and procedures concerning inmate grievances.

4. In addition to written notification, inmates will receive a detailed oral explanation of the inmate grievance procedure if the inmate requests it. A copy of this policy shall be given to each inmate during orientation at RDC. Provisions will be made for those not speaking English, as well as for the impaired or handicapped.

5. Institutional personnel, including those under private contract with the New Mexico Corrections Department, will receive a copy of all instructional materials on the inmate grievance procedure during the employee orientation.

B. Accessibility:

Each inmate will be entitled to invoke the grievance procedure regardless of classification level. This procedure will be made accessible to all impaired or handicapped inmates. [4-4429]

C. Administrative Provisions:

1. Each institutional Warden will designate a person or persons as an institutional Grievance Officer. This individual shall be responsible for carrying out the duties outlined herein.

2. The Secretary will designate a person or persons as Administrator. Any such person(s) shall be responsible for the duties outlined herein.
3. No inmate or employee who is named in the grievance shall participate in any capacity in the investigation or resolution of the grievance, except as may be required and only to the extent required as the grievant, the subject of a grievance or a witness. Neither the institutional Grievance Officer nor Administrator shall act in such a capacity when they are the subject of a grievance or a witness to an incident resulting in a grievance.

4. The Warden at Level II, Level III and Level IV institutions shall place a “Grievance” mailbox in a designated area in general population. The “Grievance” mailbox shall be accessible to all inmates in general population.

5. Wardens shall also place a “Grievance” mailbox in each segregated housing unit pod.

6. The Grievance mailboxes shall be secured at all times. The Grievance Officer shall be the only staff member with a key, and shall be the only staff member authorized to retrieve the grievances.

7. The Grievance Officer shall be required to check each “Grievance” mailbox on a daily basis, excluding weekends and holidays.

8. Grievances are legal / privileged correspondence and shall be handled in accordance with CD-151201.

9. Inmates may continue to utilize general mailboxes to forward their grievances. The grievances shall be sealed and marked “legal mail”, and may be sent directly to the Wardens, Deputy Wardens, and Grievance Officers.

10. Inmates may also submit grievances to staff members as long as the grievance is sealed and the envelope marked “legal mail”.

11. Inmates who choose to utilize the general mailboxes to submit grievances shall not be charged postage.

12. Staff members receiving grievances shall ensure the grievances are forwarded to the Grievance Officer before the end of the business day.

D. Grievability:

1. Except as provided below in D.2, the following matters are grievable by inmates:
a. The substance, interpretation and application of policies, rules and procedures of the institution or Department including, but not limited to, decisions regarding mail, visitation, staff treatment, lost property or medical/mental health care excluding security issues. [4-4344] [4-4394] [4-4410]

b. Individual employee actions.

c. Perceived reprisal for use of, or participation in, the grievance process.

d. Any other matter relating to conditions of care or supervision within the authority of the New Mexico Corrections Department or its contractors, except as noted herein.

e. Department personnel sexual misconduct.

2. The following matters are not grievable by inmates:

a. Any matter over which the Corrections Department has no control, for example: parole decisions, sentences, tort claims and claims regarding inmate compensation which is regulated by statute.

b. Matters involving the loss or delay of mail by the U.S. Postal Service or other carriers, e.g. UPS, Federal Express, etc.

c. Any matter involving disciplinary procedure and findings. A separate appeal process is provided by Department policy for disciplinary actions.

d. Any matter involving a classification decision. A separate appeal process is provided by Department policy for classification actions or placement in Level 6.

e. Complaints on behalf of other inmates.

f. The subject of any prior grievance on which a final determination has been made or which is currently under review.

g. Other matters beyond the control of the Department.

3. If a grievance is ruled non-grievable at any level, that decision may not be appealed through the remaining levels of the grievance procedure.
E. Informal Resolution:

It is the policy of the Department to resolve grievances at the lowest possible level. Informal resolution is encouraged.

F. Remedies:

If a grievance is decided in favor of an inmate, appropriate relief shall be provided to the inmate and the Department may, at its discretion, authorize one or more of the following remedies:

1. If the grievance involves loss of or damage to personal property, the remedy may be restoration of the property involved or payment of fair market value not to exceed $50.00 for any one item at the discretion of the Department. In no event will replacement or monetary compensation be awarded without a showing of negligence or willful misconduct on the part of Department employees.

2. Change of policies, procedures or practices.

3. Correction of departmental records.

4. Other remedies as appropriate.

G. Time Constraints:

1. Grievances shall be processed in a timely manner. No more than 90 working days will pass from the filing of a grievance by an inmate to the final decision.

2. The time period will begin when the grievance has been properly filed with the Grievance Officer.

3. Responses will be made within fixed time limits at every level of review, as specified in CD-150501.

4. Expiration of a time limit at any stage without a decision will not be deemed a denial of the grievance and will entitle the grievant to move on to the next level for review.

5. In the event the grievance is not disposed of within the time limit, the inmate shall be deemed to have exhausted administrative remedies for that specific complaint. The grievance is not automatically granted.
H. Emergency Procedures:

1. An emergency grievance shall be given priority. It is the responsibility of the inmate to designate the grievance as an emergency on the Inmate Grievance Form (CD-150501.1) and to demonstrate the factors creating a risk that serious harm may result if the emergency grievance is processed according to standard time limits.

2. It is the responsibility of the Grievance Officer to determine, through investigation, if the inmate's grievance is, in fact, an emergency grievance.

3. Once it is determined that such factors exist, the grievance will be deemed an emergency grievance and it shall be forwarded without substantive review immediately to the Warden or to an official at a level capable of correcting the situation. Emergency grievances may be immediately appealed to the Administrator.

4. Emergency grievances shall receive an expedited response at every level as appropriate to the needs of the emergency situation, but in no event will the time for response exceed 72 hours from the time the grievance is received by the Grievance Officer.

5. Inmates filing grievances for Department personnel sexual misconduct must mark the grievance form as “Emergency”. All grievances for Department personnel sexual misconduct will be completed in an expedited manner with fairness and consistency.

J. Reprisals:

A. Inmates shall not be subject to retaliation, reprisal or discipline for the legitimate use of the grievance procedure.

B. Retaliation for use of this policy may be the subject of a grievance under this policy. Employees engaging in reprisals against inmates for good faith use of, or participation in, the grievance procedure shall be subject to disciplinary action.

C. Inmates using the grievance procedures to perpetrate the commission of a purposeful serious misconduct will be subject to disciplinary action consistent with current disciplinary policy provisions.

_________________________  01/25/12
Gregg Marcantel, Secretary of Corrections                                      Date
New Mexico Corrections Department
AUTHORITY:

Policy CD-150500

PROCEDURES: [2-CL-5A-7] [4-4344] [4-4394] [2-CO-3C-01]

A. Inmate’s Responsibility:

1. Before using the formal grievance procedure, an inmate is expected to attempt to resolve the grievance or particular area of concern informally through discussion with the person or persons responsible for the incident, giving rise to the complaint.
   a. The inmate shall first file an informal complaint using the Inmate Informal Complaint Form (CD-150501.3) within five (5) calendar days from the date of the incident giving rise to the complaint. The inmate shall explain in detail his/her complaint and address their complaint to the Unit Manager or designee in units with a Unit Manager and to the Chief of Security or designee in units without a Unit Manager.
   b. If this informal effort fails to resolve the complaint within five working days of receipt of the complaint, the inmate may file an Inmate Grievance Form (CD-150501.1). The inmate must file the formal grievance within twenty (20) calendar days of the date of the incident giving rise to the complaint.

2. The Unit Manager, Chief of Security, or designees’ shall review the inmate complaint and make every effort to resolve the complaint at an informal level within five (5) working days from receipt of the complaint. A copy of all resolved complaints shall be maintained and a copy given to the inmate. All non-resolved complaints shall be returned to the inmate to be attached to the formal grievance.

3. A written formal grievance shall be filed using the Inmate Grievance Form (CD-150501.1). The non-resolved Inmate Informal Complaint shall be attached to the formal grievance and be submitted to the Grievance Officer by depositing the form(s) in an institutional mailbox, a designated Grievance Box or by delivering it in person to the Grievance Officer.
a. **Inmate Grievance** Forms will be readily available to inmates in accessible locations within the institution.

b. All grievances must be signed by the grievant. Copies of grievances sent to persons other than the Institutional Grievance Officer will be considered informational copies only, not requiring a response.

4. The Grievance Officer shall notify the grievant of receipt of a grievance on an **Inmate 2-Day Notice of Receipt of Formal Grievance** Form (CD-1505001.2).

a. If the Grievance Officer does not acknowledge the receipt of the grievance in writing within five (5) working days after receipt of the grievance, the Grievance Officer will notify the grievant in writing as to the date the grievance was received and the status of the grievance.

5. Inmates filing an emergency grievance shall be notified within one (1) working day (excluding weekends and holidays) that his/her grievance has been received. The emergency shall be answered within seventy-two (72) hours from the date of receipt.

6. Inmates requiring aid in completing the grievance form may be assisted by another inmate. The form will be used to briefly summarize the complaint; additional information should be attached and mailed to the Grievance Officer. Appropriate language will be used; obscenities will not be allowed unless determined relevant to the grievance.

7. The inmate must complete a separate grievance form for each issue grieved. The inmate must file an individual grievance even though the problem may be shared with other inmates. A group grievance will be returned to the first name on the list for compliance with this requirement.

8. The inmate must state what reasonable relief is being requested as a solution to any grievance. Failure to do so will result in the grievance being returned to the inmate for completion.

9. If the grievance relates directly to actions of the Grievance Officer, the inmate will send the completed Inmate Grievance Form directly to the Warden. The Warden will appoint a person who is not involved with the matter of the grievance to serve as Grievance Officer for that particular grievance.
10. Grievances are considered confidential communications. Sealed letters will not be opened for inspection by mailroom personnel if the letter is labeled "Grievance" and addressed to the Grievance Officer, Deputy Warden or Warden.

11. In a case where a grievance has not been resolved at the time the grievant is released from custody, efforts to resolve the grievance will terminate. The only exception is if the grievance was filed as a result of court action requiring exhaustion of administrative remedies. If the grievant wishes to pursue resolution, it is the grievant’s responsibility to notify the Grievance Officer of that intention and to provide an address and telephone number at which he/she may be contacted and any other pertinent information requested by the Grievance Officer. [4-4446]

12. Inmates filing grievances alleging staff sexual misconduct will have the ability to complain confidentially by filing an Inmate Grievance Form (CD-150501.1). Inmates may utilized a general mailbox, grievance mailboxes, or submit to staff members. Such grievances will be considered an “Emergency”, therefore, inmates shall expect to be contacted expeditiously.

13. Inmates filing grievances for alleged staff sexual misconduct shall not be subject to retaliation, reprisal or discipline for the legitimate use of filing.

14. Inmates shall be protected during the course of the grievance investigation and may be placed in protective custody or transferred to any other facility as per the inmate’s request or as deemed appropriate by the Administration.

15. Inmates filing a false complaint will be subject to disciplinary action consistent with current disciplinary policy provisions.

16. In the event of a transfer, an inmate shall attempt to file any grievance directly with the Grievance Officer at the appropriate facility. However, if a Grievance Officer receives a grievance that should be resolved at a different facility, the Grievance Officer shall forward the grievance to the appropriate facility Grievance Officer and notify the inmate.

B. Grievance Officer's Review:

1. The Grievance Officer will note the date the grievance was received and assign a number to the grievance indicating the institution, year and number of the grievance.
2. The Grievance Officer will review all grievances for proper time limits and necessary information. A grievance that is untimely, incomplete or otherwise improperly submitted will be returned to the inmate with an explanation of why it is being returned.

3. The Grievance Officer will conduct an investigation and complete the Grievance Officer's report portion of the Inmate Grievance Form.

4. The investigation by the Grievance Officer and his/her report and recommendation will be completed and delivered to the Warden for review within twenty (20) working days from receipt of the inmate's grievance.

C. Warden's Decision:

1. The Warden will note the date of receipt of all grievances on the grievance form.

2. Any disposition recommended by the Grievance Officer may be approved, disapproved or modified by the Warden.

3. Upon receipt of the grievance, the Warden shall determine if the grievance is one that challenges a general policy or procedure of the institution or the Department as a whole or the effectiveness or credibility of the grievance procedure.

4. The Warden will review the grievance, along with any comments from inmates and staff, and make a decision within fifteen (15) working days of receipt of the grievance by the Warden.

5. The Warden may, but is not required to, meet with the grievant prior to making a decision.

6. The inmate shall be informed in writing of the Warden's decision on the grievance, within the same fifteen (15) working days of receipt of the grievance by the Warden. Inmates will also be informed of their right to appeal this decision and the method by which they may appeal the decision.

7. The date the decision is submitted to the inmate will be noted on the grievance form.
8. If the grievant is awarded any relief, the Warden shall assign one or more specific personnel the duty to implement the relief granted within a reasonable period of time.

D. Appeal Process:

1. If an inmate is not satisfied with the decision of the Warden, the inmate may appeal that decision to the Office of the Secretary of Corrections within seven (7) calendar days of receiving the decision from the Warden.
   a. The inmate may appeal by completing the appeal portion of the Inmate Grievance Form and mailing or placing the form in an institutional mailbox, a designated Grievance Box or by delivering it in person to the Grievance Officer for processing to Central Office.

2. The Grievance Officer will note the date of receipt of the appeal portion of the Inmate Grievance Form.

3. The Grievance Officer will attach all relevant materials to the appeal and deliver the appeal to the Administrator within five working days of the date of receipt of the appeal portion of the Inmate Grievance Form.

4. The Grievance Administrator will note the date of receipt of the appeal portion of the Inmate Grievance Form.

5. The Grievance Administrator will conduct any further investigation necessary and present a recommendation to the Secretary or designee, within twenty-five (25) calendar days of receiving the appeal portion of the grievance. Institutional/prison administrators and employees are prohibited from interfering with or otherwise attempting to influence the review by the Grievance Administrator.

6. The Secretary or designee will render a final decision on the grievance within ten calendar days of receipt of the appeals portion of the Inmate Grievance Form.

7. The inmate will be informed in writing of the final decision on the grievance. A brief and clear description of the reasons for the final decision should accompany the inmate notification. Copies of this notification will be forwarded to the Warden and Grievance Officer at the institution.
8. If the grievant is awarded any relief, the Secretary or designee shall assign one or more specific personnel the duty to implement the relief granted within a reasonable period of time.

E. Misuse/Abuse of the Grievance Procedure:

Inmates are prohibited from the misuse/abuse of the grievance system. Inmates are not to use this procedure as a form of harassment against staff. Such grievances will be denied.

Inmates using the grievance procedures to perpetrate the commission of a purposeful misconduct will be subject to disciplinary action consistent with current disciplinary policy provisions.

F. Record Keeping and Periodic Evaluation:

Records regarding the filing and disposition of all grievances will be collected and maintained systematically by the Grievance Officer at each institution as follows:

1. A status log showing the name and number of the grievant, grievance number, date of initial submission, description of the grievance, disposition of the grievance, etc. will be maintained for tracking each level of all grievances.

2. All institutions will use the Emergency Grievance Status Log Attachment (CD-150501.A) and the Miscellaneous Grievance Status Log Attachment (CD-150501.B) accordingly. No revisions by the institution are permitted.

3. The logs will be forwarded to the Grievance Administrator monthly for data collection purposes. The Grievance Administrator will compile monthly summaries of the information contained in the institutional logs. Summaries will include information on the number and types of grievances, disposition of grievances, remedies granted and compliance with time limits at each level. The Grievance Statistic Log Attachment (CD-150501.C) shall be utilized for this purpose.

4. In January of each year, the Grievance Administrator shall evaluate the grievance procedure by reviewing the monthly summaries, a representative sample of grievances and their disposition at each level and any other appropriate material to determine the extent of compliance with this policy. The Grievance Administrator shall prepare an annual report and submit it to the Director of Adult Prisons Division by January 31 of each year.
5. Copies of each completed grievance will be maintained for a minimum of three years following final disposition of the grievance.

6. No copies of grievances or adverse reference to any grievance will be placed in an inmate's institutional file unless a part of a finding of a disciplinary packet.

G. Confidentiality:

All correspondence marked "Grievance" and addressed to the Grievance Officer, Deputy Warden or Warden will be treated as strictly confidential. Records regarding the participation of an individual in legitimate grievance proceedings will be kept in a locked office or file cabinet and shall not be available to employees or other inmates, except to the extent necessary for clerical processing or legal defense. Only employees who are participating in the disposition of a legitimate grievance will have access to records essential to the resolution of the grievance.

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Gregg Marcantel, Secretary of Corrections            Date
New Mexico Corrections Department
NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT
INMATE GRIEVANCE

Inmate's Name: __________________________  NMCD#: ___________  Grievance File #: ________

Institution: ___________________  Housing Unit: ___________  Date of Incident: ___________

Date Received by Grievance Officer: _____________

Grievance Officer's Signature: _____________________________________

INSTRUCTIONS: It is expected that problems be resolved in an informal manner. Please read policy/procedure CD-150500 before filing a grievance. Your grievance must be typed or clearly written so as to be readable after photocopying. The grievance must be filed with the Institutional Grievance Officer to be valid. Copies sent elsewhere will be considered informational copies only, not requiring a response.

STEP 1 - Grievance: Include documentation and names of any witnesses to support your claim. For your grievance to be accepted, you must state the relief requested. Use additional pages, if necessary.

Inmate's Signature: ____________________________________  Date: ____________________

Relief Requested:

________________________________________________________________________________________

STEP 2 – To Be Completed by the Grievance Officer:

A. ___ Your grievance is accepted for consideration.
B. ___ Your grievance is being returned to you because of the following reason:
   __ 1. The grievance is not readable.
   __ 2. The matter has been answered in previous grievance #: __________________________
   __ 3. The grievance concerns material not grievous under present policy.
   __ 4. The grievance is a group grievance or petition. (Submit individually.)
   __ 5. The grievance is not timely.
   __ 6. Other Specify: ________________________________

Grievance Officer's Signature: _________________________________  Date: ________________
NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT
INMATE GRIEVANCE

Grievance File #: ____________

STEP 3 – Grievance Investigation and Recommendation:

___________________________________________          ____________
Grievance Officer's Signature                                                 Date

STEP 4 – Decision of Warden/Designee: Date received by Grievance Officer: ____________

Denied (   )        Granted (   )          Dismissed (   )           Resolved (   )           Referred (   )

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Signature: ________________________________ Date: __________________
Date Returned to Inmate: ______________

STEP 5 – Departmental Appeal: (Return grievance to Grievance Officer for processing.)
A. Reason for appeal:

Inmate's Signature: ________________________________ Date: __________________

Date Received By Grievance Officer: _____________________
Date Sent to Grievance Coordinator: ______________________

B. Department Decision:

______________________________________________________________________________
Cabinet Secretary/Designee

Date: __________________
NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT
Inmate 2-Day Notice of Receipt of Grievance

Inmate’s Name: ________________________________ NMCD#: ______________________

Grievance File #: _______________________ Facility: _________________ HU: __________ Cell: ___________

RE: ______________________________________ Issue is under Review: Yes ( ) No ( )

Date Formal Grievance Received: ________________ Date Notice of Receipt Sent: ________________

NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT
Inmate 2-Day Notice of Receipt of Grievance

Inmate’s Name: ________________________________ NMCD#: ______________________

Grievance File #: _______________________ Facility: _________________ HU: __________ Cell: ___________

RE: ______________________________________ Issue is under Review: Yes ( ) No ( )

Date Formal Grievance Received: ________________ Date Notice of Receipt Sent: ________________

NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT
Inmate 2-Day Notice of Receipt of Grievance

Inmate’s Name: ________________________________ NMCD#: ______________________

Grievance File #: _______________________ Facility: _________________ HU: __________ Cell: ___________

RE: ______________________________________ Issue is under Review: Yes ( ) No ( )

Date Formal Grievance Received: ________________ Date Notice of Receipt Sent: ________________

NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT
Inmate 2-Day Notice of Receipt of Grievance

Inmate’s Name: ________________________________ NMCD#: ______________________

Grievance File #: _______________________ Facility: _________________ HU: __________ Cell: ___________

RE: ______________________________________ Issue is under Review: Yes ( ) No ( )

Date Formal Grievance Received: ________________ Date Notice of Receipt Sent: ________________
NEW MEXICO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT

INMATE INFORMAL COMPLAINT

Inmate Name: ___________________________ NMCD#: __________________

Facility: ___________________ HU/Cell #: _____________ Date of Incident: ______________

Name of subject or person to whom the complaint was filed against: ______________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________
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Explain your complaint in detail: __________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________

Inmate Signature: ___________________________ Date: ________________

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Reviewing Staff Member

Date Received: __________________

I, _________________________________________ have reviewed the above informal complaint and

Recommend:                              (    ) Resolution                         (    ) Recommend formal grievance

Explain: ______________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________

Staff Member: ___________________________ / Date: ________________

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Acknowledged by the signatures below, this informal complaint is: ☐ Resolved ☐ Unresolved

Reviewing Staff Member: ___________________________ / Date: ________________

Staff Witness: ____________________________ / Date: ________________

Inmate: ___________________________ / Date: ________________

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If this informal complaint could not be resolved, the inmate may pursue a formal grievance within 20
calendar days of the date of incident.

Attach this document to the Formal Grievance.
## New Mexico Corrections Department  
### Emergency Grievance Status Log

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