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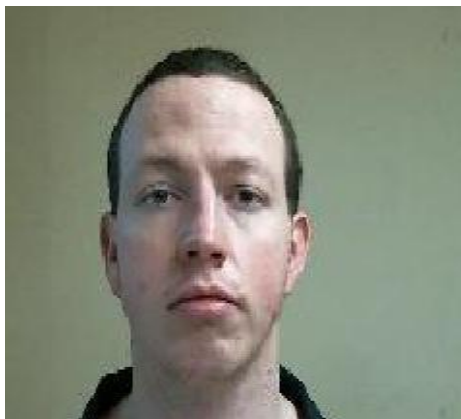
PRESS RELEASE

For Immediate Release:

February 16, 2016

The Nevada Department of Corrections (NDOC) is investigating an apparent suicide that occurred in the early morning hours of Saturday, February 13, 2016. At approximately 2:30 am, correctional officers found Inmate John Morse, #1132849, hanging in the bathroom area of his housing unit at the Northern Nevada Correctional Center. Responding staff immediately began life saving measures which were unsuccessful. Morse was pronounced dead at approximately 3:14 am.

Inmate Morse, a 23 year old, male, was committed from Washoe County on January 23, 2015 and was serving 60-246 months for Kidnapping II, Battery by Strangulation, and Battery by Prisoner. The Carson City Sheriff's Office Coroner responded and an autopsy is being scheduled. Next of kin have been notified.



John Morse

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