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## **Inmate Revived After Suspected Drug Overdose**

## Officers & Medical Staff Perform Lifesaving Measures

Albion, NY – Officers and medical staff at Orleans Correctional Facility performed lifesaving measures on an inmate that was discovered unresponsive in the mess hall on Sunday, March 11, 2018.

Officers discovered the inmate at approximately 12:40 p.m. When they approached him, the inmate was unresponsive on the floor. Officers immediately performed Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) on the inmate and notified medical staff at the facility.

The officers continued CPR efforts until medical staff arrived on the scene. Medical staff determined that the inmate had possibly suffered an overdose and administered Narcan, which is used as an emergency treatment for known or suspected opioid overdose.

The inmate became responsive after several doses of the Narcan. He was immediately taken by ambulance to a local hospital for additional treatment.

Officers conducting an investigation into the incident, located 24 packets of heroin in one of the dorms near the mess hall. The investigation is ongoing.

"I would like to commend the officers and medical staff at Orleans Correctional Facility for their quick and alert actions as they responded to a suspected inmate overdose. They put their training and experience into action and it certainly was instrumental in saving the inmate's life. Unfortunately, over the past several years, there have been numerous drug overdoses in correctional facilities as illegal drug contraband continues to make its way into the hands of inmates." – said Joe Miano, Western Region Union Official.