



## ***Contraband Seized at Cape Vincent Correctional Facility***

### ***Suboxone, Make-Shift Weapon Recovered***

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**Cape Vincent , NY** – An officer conducting a contraband search of an inmate noticed an item stuffed up the nostril of the inmate which turned out to be a piece of ceramic sharpened on one end and melted into a plastic cap at the medium security prison.

The incident occurred on Friday, January 29. The inmate, currently serving a 18 year sentence for Attempted Murder 2<sup>nd</sup>, had the weapon hidden inside one of his nostrils. The inmate voluntarily removed the weapon and turned it over to the officer. The weapon was placed into evidence and the inmate was placed in a Special Housing Unit pending disciplinary charges.

He was convicted of Attempted Murder 2<sup>nd</sup> in 2007 in Bronx County.

On the same day, an officer working in the package room discovered Suboxone inside a package mailed to an inmate from Queensbury, NY. The 10 orange strips were concealed inside pages of a book. The drugs were seized as evidence

“The fact that drug and weapon seizures continue at record levels without any plan from DOCCS to stop it is infuriating. The drug seizures tie up staff when they could be performing other vital duties and the weapons are a serious safety risk for our members. The constant call for the department to install the

Secure Vendor Program obviously falls on deaf ears” - stated, Bryan Hluska, NYSCOPBA Central Region Vice President