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Form NPS-4A (Addendum)

DEATHS IN CUSTODY—2017 STATE PRISON INMATE DEATH REPORT

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
BUREAU OF JUSTICE STATISTICS
AND ACTING AS COLLECTION AGENT:
RTI INTERNATIONAL

FORM COMPLETED BY:

Name		Title	
Official Address		Telephone	
City		FAX	
State	Zip	E-mail	

Instructions for Completion

If no deaths occurred in 2017:

- You will not need to report anything at this time.
- At the beginning of 2018, you will be asked to complete a summary form whether or not you had a death occurrence in 2017.

If you had more than one death in 2017:

- Make copies of this form for each additional death.
- Complete the entire form for each inmate death.
- Once your death records are complete, there are several ways to submit a death report:

ONLINE: Complete the report online at: https://bjsdcrp.rti.org

E-MAIL: bjsdcrp@rti.org

FAX (TOLL-FREE): (866) 800-9179

MAIL: RTI International, Attn: Data Capture
Project Number: 0215015.001.100.102.100
5265 Capital Boulevard
Raleigh, NC 27690-1652

If you need assistance, call Matt Bensen of RTI International toll-free at (800) 344-1387 or bjsdcrp@rti.org

What deaths should be reported?

INCLUDE deaths of ALL persons…

- Confined in your correctional facilities, whether housed under your jurisdiction or that of another state
- Under your jurisdiction but housed in private correctional facilities, whether located in or out of state
- Under your jurisdiction but in special facilities (e.g., medical/treatment/release centers, halfway houses, police/court lockups, or work farms)
- In transit to or from your facilities while under your supervision

EXCLUDE deaths of ALL persons…

- Executed in your state
- Confined in local jail facilities, whether located in or out of state
- Under your jurisdiction but housed in a state-operated correctional facility in another state or in a federal facility
- Under probation or parole supervision in your state
- Under your jurisdiction but on AWOL or escape-status at the time of death

BURDEN STATEMENT

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act, we cannot ask you to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The burden of this collection is estimated to average 30 minutes per each reported death, including reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering necessary data, and completing and reviewing this form. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this survey, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Director, Bureau of Justice Statistics, 810 Seventh Street, NW, Washington, DC 20531. Do not send your completed form to this address.

"AGENCY ID"

STATE PRISON INMATE DEATH REPORT

1. What was the inmate's name?

LAST	FIRST	MI
Lizotte	Brandon	

2. On what date did the inmate die?

MONTH	DAY	YEAR
09	15	2017

3. What was the name and location of the correctional facility involved?

Facility Name: LOUISIANA STATE PENITENTIARY

Facility City: ANGOLA

Facility State: LA

4. What was the inmate's date of birth?

MONTH	DAY	YEAR
02	27	1982

5. What was the inmate's sex?

- [x] Male
- [ ] Female

6. Was the inmate of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?

- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

7. In addition, what was the inmate's race? Please select one or more of the following racial categories:

- [x] White
- [ ] Black or African American
- [ ] American Indian or Alaska Native
- [ ] Asian
- [ ] Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- [ ] Some other race

Please Specify:

8. On what date was the inmate admitted to one of your correctional facilities?

MONTH	DAY	YEAR
11	22	2006

9. For what offense(s) was the inmate being held?

a. Second Dregree Murder

b.

c.

d.

e.

10. Since admission, did the inmate ever stay overnight in a mental health facility?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No
- [x] Don't Know

11. Where did the inmate die?

- [ ] In a general housing unit in the facility or in a general housing unit on prison grounds
- [ ] In a segregation unit
- [ ] In a special medical unit/infirmary within your facility
- [ ] In a special mental health services unit within your facility
- [x] In a medical center outside your facility
- [ ] In a mental health center outside your facility
- [ ] While in transit
- [ ] Elsewhere

Please Specify:

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12. Are the results of a medical examiner's or coroner's evaluation (such as an autopsy, postmortem exam, or review of medical records) available to establish an official cause of death?

- ☑ YES → ***CONTINUE TO Q13***
- ☐ Evaluation complete—results are pending
  → ***SKIP REMAINING QUESTIONS AND SUBMIT THIS FORM—YOU WILL BE CONTACTED AT A LATER TIME FOR THE CAUSE OF DEATH***
- ☐ No evaluation is planned → ***CONTINUE TO Q13***

13. What was the cause of death? ****** Please SPECIFY cause of death—it is critical information******

- ☐ Illness—Exclude AIDS-related deaths *[Specify]* →
- ☐ Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)
- ☐ Accidental alcohol/drug intoxication *[Describe]* →
- ☐ Accidental injury to self *[Describe]* →
- ☑ Accidental injury by other (e.g., vehicular accidents during transport) *[Describe]* → gunshot wound
- ☐ Suicide (e.g., hanging, knife/cutting instrument, intentional drug overdose) *[Describe]* →
- ☐ Homicide *[Describe]* →
- ☐ Other cause(s) *[Specify]* →

14. Where did the <u>incident</u> (e.g., accident, suicide, or homicide) causing the death take place?

- ☐ NOT APPLICABLE—Cause of death was illness, intoxication, or AIDS-related
- ☑ In the prison facility or on the prison grounds

[PLEASE SPECIFY]

- ☐ In the inmate's cell/room
- ☐ In a temporary holding area/lockup
- ☑ In a common area within the facility (e.g., yard, library, cafeteria)
- ☐ In a special medical unit/infirmary
- ☐ In a special mental health services unit
- ☐ In a segregation unit
- ☐ On death row, special unit awaiting capital punishment
- ☐ Elsewhere within the prison facility
  → *Please Specify:*

- ☐ Outside the prison facility (e.g., while on work release or on work detail)
- ☐ Elsewhere
  → *Please Specify:*

15. When did the <u>incident</u> (e.g., accident, suicide, or homicide) causing the death occur?

- ☐ NOT APPLICABLE—Cause of death was illness, intoxication, or AIDS-related

- ☑ Morning (6 am to Noon)
- ☐ Afternoon (Noon to 6 pm)
- ☐ Evening (6 pm to Midnight)
- ☐ Overnight (Midnight to 6 am)

16. Excluding emergency care provided at the time of death, did the inmate receive any of the following medical services for the medical condition that caused his/her death after admission to your correctional facilities?

☑ NOT APPLICABLE—Cause of death was accidental injury, intoxication, suicide, or homicide

	YES	NO	DON'T KNOW
a. Evaluated by physician/medical staff	☐	☐	☐
b. Diagnostic tests (e.g., X-rays, MRI)	☐	☐	☐
c. Medications	☐	☐	☐
d. Treatment/care other than medications	☐	☐	☐
e. Surgery	☐	☐	☐
f. Confinement in special medical unit	☐	☐	☐

PLEASE PROVIDE A RESPONSE FOR EACH ITEM (a–f)

17. Was the cause of death the result of a pre-existing medical condition or did the inmate develop the condition after admission? *(If multiple conditions caused the death and <u>any</u> of the conditions were pre-existing, mark "Pre-existing medical condition.")*

☑ NOT APPLICABLE—Cause of death was accidental injury, intoxication, suicide, or homicide

☐ Pre-existing medical condition
☐ Deceased developed condition after admission
☐ Could not be determined

Please add any additional notes regarding this death here:

Offender was shot by an officer after a warning shot was fired. The offender did not comply and therefore Master Sgt. fired service weapon at the offender.

Angola inmate shot to death after charging guard, Department of Corrections says

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This April 22, 2009 photo shows a view of the front entrance of the Louisiana State Penitentiary in Angola, La. (AP file photo/Judi Bottoni)

ST. FRANCISVILLE — State Police are investigating the shooting death Friday of an Angola inmate who charged at a corrections officer and didn't stop after several verbal commands and a warning shot, the state Department of Corrections said.

The inmate, Brandon Lizotte, 35, was serving a life sentence at the Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola for second-degree murder, after stabbing a man 26 times in 2006.

At close to 6:30 a.m. on Friday, corrections officers were escorting inmates from one of the housing units, called Camp C, to their work area, when Lizotte began running toward an officer, said Ken Pastorick, communications director for the state Department of Public Safety and Corrections.

The officer gave Lizotte several direct verbal commands to stop and then fired a warning shot, but the inmate continued to "aggressively charge toward the officer," Pastorick said in a news release.

The officer fired his service weapon at Lizotte, who was transported to a local hospital, where he was pronounced dead shortly before 8 a.m., Pastorick said.

In November 2006, a state court jury found Lizotte, then 23, guilty of second-degree murder for the 2005 stabbing death of a man.

Lizotte also wounded the man's girlfriend in the incident. The stabbing victims had advised Lizotte's girlfriend to end her relationship with him, according to The Advocate.

In July 2005, Lizotte broke into the couple's Hammond apartment, stabbed the woman, Sabah Ahmed, in her face and the back of her head, before stabbing her boyfriend, Jignesh Patel, 26 times. Patel died of his wounds two days later at a hospital.

Lizotte told the jury he was too drunk to know what he was doing. The jury at the 21st Judicial District Courthouse in Amite returned three hours after he testified to give a verdict of guilty of second-degree murder.

Lizotte had been housed at the Angola state penitentiary since December 2006.

The fatal shooting of Lizotte Friday has been classified as an attempted escape and the State Police along with the West Feliciana Parish Sheriff's Office and the Louisiana State Penitentiary Investigative Unit are conducting the investigations in the incident, the Department of Corrections said in a news release.

The officer involved in the shooting was not named.



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