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Commissioner of Health Statement Concerning Tuberculosis Death at Milwaukee County Jail

The City of Milwaukee Health Department was saddened to learn today of the death of a Milwaukee citizen with active tuberculosis (TB) that had been confined at the Milwaukee County Detention Center. The Health Department was recently active in pursuing and securing a court order for isolation and treatment of the individual at the facility. This action was taken by the Health Department to ensure the public's health by limiting infectious TB exposure to persons in the community.

The MHD will work closely with the Milwaukee County Medical Examiner's Office, County Detention Facility and County District Attorney during the investigation of this case in the coming weeks. Further information will be provided upon completion of an autopsy to be scheduled by the Medical Examiner's Office.