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Federal Correctional Institution El Reno
El Reno, Oklahoma

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Death at FCI El Reno

EL RENO, OK: On Thursday, January 22, 2026, at approximately 12:20 p.m., Dajuan Cole was found unresponsive at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) El Reno in El Reno, Oklahoma.

Responding employees initiated life-saving measures. Emergency medical services (EMS) were requested while life-saving efforts continued. Mr. Cole was transported by EMS to a local hospital and subsequently pronounced deceased by hospital personnel.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation was notified.

No employees or other incarcerated individuals were injured and at no time was the public in danger.

Mr. Cole was a 44-year-old male who was sentenced in the Southern District of Illinois to a 120-month sentence for Distribution of Methamphetamine. He had been in custody at FCI El Reno since January 21, 2026.

FCI El Reno is a medium security facility.

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