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Florence, CO 81226

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Death at USP Florence

FLORENCE, CO: On June 21, 2026, at approximately 7:10 p.m., Ryder Holliday was found unresponsive at the United States Penitentiary (USP) Florence in Florence, Colorado.

Responding employees initiated life-saving measures. Emergency medical services (EMS) were requested while life-saving efforts continued.

Mr. Holliday was transported by EMS to a local hospital, where he was evaluated and placed on life support until he was subsequently pronounced deceased by hospital personnel on June 24, 2026.

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. Holiday was a 28-year-old male who was sentenced in the Western District of Texas to a 365-month sentence for Conspiracy to Possess with Intent to Distribute at least 500 Grams of Methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance. He had been in custody at the United States Penitentiary, Florence, since May 11, 2026.

USP Florence is a high-security facility.

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