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3/23/2020 (Anchorage) – On March 22, 2020, inmate Edwin Clawson, 38, was pronounced dead at Mat-Su Regional Hospital.

Clawson was found unresponsive in his cell just after 1100 hours on March 18, 2020. Correctional Officers and medical staff immediately began performing life-saving measures until EMS arrived on scene. Mr. Clawson was transported to Mat-Su Regional Hospital where he later died. This death is being investigated as a suicide.

Clawson has been in DOC custody on 3/16/2020. He was an unsentenced inmate.

His death is the second in DOC custody this year. Next of kin have been notified.

Every prisoner death is reviewed by the Alaska State Troopers and the Medical Examiner's Office. Department records are generally not subject to release because they contain confidential medical, security and personnel information.

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