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Anchorage Correctional Complex Inmate Brian Pinkerton, 36 years old, was pronounced dead at 6:57am on April 21, 2016.

Pinkerton's cause of death is unknown as this time. He had a full medical work up done just the day prior that showed no bad indications. The state medical examiner will conduct an autopsy but preliminary reports say there is no sign of physical trauma.

Pinkerton has been in custody at Anchorage Correctional Complex since January 8, 2016 on multiple probation violations and on charges of Robbery 1, Forgery 2, Assault 2, Theft 2, and Theft 3.

Pinkerton spent time in the specialized medical unit but was allowed to go to Anchorage Correctional Complex's general population with a personal care attendant.

Pinkerton's death is the fourth in custody death for 2016.

Next of kin has been notified.

Every prisoner death is reviewed by the Alaska State Troopers and the Medical Examiner's Office. The Department of Corrections will also conduct an internal investigation through the Professional Conduct Investigator. Department records are generally not subject to release because they contain confidential medical, security and personnel information.