

## Chatham County Board of Commissioners 124 Bull Street, Savannah, GA 31401

## Chatham County Contracts with Health Care Provider for Inmate Health Care

SAVANNAH, GA – (October 16, 2017) Chatham County staff and the County Attorney, with the consent of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners on October 6, 2017, have endeavored to negotiate a new health care contract with Correcthealth. At the end of the negotiations, Chatham County staff, the County Attorney, Sheriff John T. Wilcher, and Correct Health mutually decided not to extend or renew the contract. Correcthealth has agreed to provide services until October 27, 2017 to provide for a transition period.

Chatham County staff along with the County Attorney's office are negotiating a contract with Centurion Healthcare, who will take over responsibility for inmate health. Centurion Healthcare is the largest inmate health care provider in the country and currently provides health care services locally to the Coastal State Prison, as well as, the entire State of Florida and Tennessee Prison Systems.

Chatham County and Sheriff John T. Wilcher are committed to providing the necessary level of health care to the inmates at the detention center and both believe this transition is in the best interest of all to achieve that common goal.

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