

NEWS RELEASE

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DOC announces inmate death

Wilmington, DE – The Delaware Department of Correction (DOC) today announced that Richard Flippin, a 24 year-old inmate from Howard R. Young Correctional Institution, died while receiving treatment at an area hospital on December 4.

After reporting symptoms of illness to Correctional Officers, Flippin was moved from his general housing unit to the prison infirmary on the morning of December 3 for monitoring and assessment. That evening, he was transported by the DOC to ChristianaCare Wilmington Hospital for further assessment and treatment. His condition deteriorated overnight, and he was pronounced dead at 5:58 a.m. on December 4.

Flippin, from Wilmington, Delaware, has been in DOC custody since October 2024 and was serving a 5-year sentence for Possession of a Firearm by a Person Prohibited.

If you are a crime victim in need of assistance, you are encouraged to call DOC Victim Services at 302-857-5440.

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