

Groveland Correctional Facility Employees Recognized for Saving Inmate's Life

Four staff at Groveland Correctional Facility were recently honored for utilizing their departmental training by taking quick, decisive actions to save an inmate's life. On December 30, 2016, Correction Officer B. Poddany called a medical emergency after observing the inmate incoherent and unable to walk without assistance. His father, Officer K. Poddany arrived on the scene and assisted his son with CPR and use of the Bag/Valve Mask, while RN K. Koronas applied the AED and acting Nurse Administrator, RN S. Beck administered three doses of Narcan, reviving the inmate who was then transported to a local hospital for further treatment. The staff were presented with Letters of Commendation for their efforts by the facility Executive Team in a recent ceremony in the administration building.

UPDATE: In July 2017, Officers B. Poddany and K. Poddany were honored at a New York State American Legion convention for their life-saving actions. The officers were presented with a plaque recognizing their efforts in front of over 600 of the convention's attendees. Both have been nominated for the national award, which will be presented to the winner at the upcoming National Convention in Reno, Nevada.



(Correction Officer K. Poddany, his son Officer B. Poddany, RN K. Koronas and Acting Nurse Administrator/RN S. Beck hold their Letters of Commendation)