

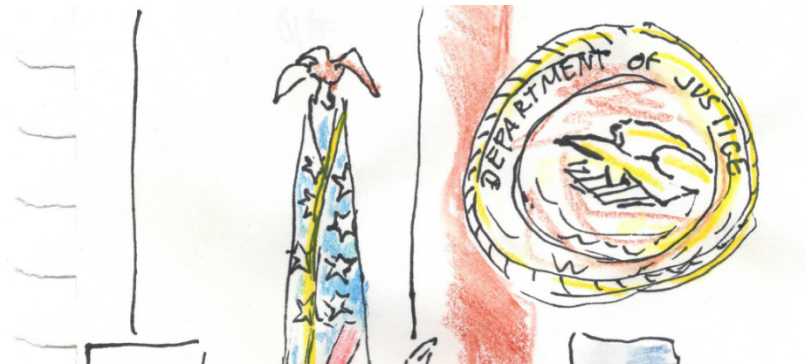
The Advocates for Human Rights' recent report, [Immigration Detention and COVID-19: Illuminating Human Rights Concerns in Minnesota Jails](#), documents how lack of clearly defined standards, oversight, and accountability mechanisms, coupled with a system driven largely by cost and revenue concerns, have led to serious failures relating to health care and safety, solitary confinement, and due process.

The Report compiles findings of The Advocates for Human Rights, the James H. Binger Center for New Americans, and the Minnesota Immigrant Health Alliance, regarding systemic failures to ensure the human rights of people held in federal immigration detention in Minnesota.

The intent of this report is to promote awareness that people in detention, especially migrants, are deprived of medical care and due process rights, particularly during COVID-19. While the report draws on experiences in Minnesota, we know the same or similar harms have been occurring across the country. This is a result of the maze of actors with ICE contracts, state laws and county jails (and, in some cases, private detention centers) – all allowing people to pass the buck with no accountability mechanisms sufficiently empowered to help.

The Advocates encourages people to call their elected leaders, including federal and state legislators, as well as county commissioners, to demand detention centers meet human rights standards for health, safety, and due process of all people-- including ICE detainees. We also strongly encourage people to call their federal legislators to hold ICE accountable and support legislation to stop ICE contracts and ICE power to detain.

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Example Tweets/ Posts:

“It’s time to demand #immigrationdetentionreform! Detained migrants are being deprived of medical care and due process rights, and it’s time for that to change. Read more here: <https://bit.ly/3c0JoEM>”

“Detention centers must meet the human rights standards and requirements for medical care and due process rights. We call on [INSERT REPRESENTATIVES HERE] to hold ICE accountable and demand #Immigrationdetentionreform”

“Everyone held in detention, including detained migrants, deserves proper medical care and due process rights. It’s time to demand accountability from ICE. #immigrationdetentionreform”

Make sure to tag @The\_Advocates

Find your representatives: <https://www.house.gov/representatives/find-your-representative>.