ICE detainee passes away at Nebraska hospital

GRAND ISLAND, Neb. — A Guatemalan man in the custody of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) passed away of an apparent cardiac arrest Tuesday at St. Francis Hospital in Grand Island, Nebraska.

Moises Tino-Lopez, 23, had been detained by ICE at the Hall County Department of Corrections in Grand Island pending reinstatement of his previous removal order.

After he showed signs of a possible seizure on Sept. 12, Tino-Lopez was taken off a scheduled removal flight for further medical evaluation at the recommendation of the ICE Health Service Corps (IHSC). He was taken to a private medical facility for further evaluation and given a CT scan. He was returned to ICE detention after being cleared by medical personnel.

Tino-Lopez suffered a seizure Sept. 19 and was treated by the facility's medical staff. Medical staff immediately started CPR after he was found unresponsive, and he was transported to St. Francis Hospital.

At 4:05 p.m. CDT on Sept. 27, St. Francis hospital staff declared Tino-Lopez deceased.


ICE has notified the Guatemalan consulate in Denver, Colorado. Consistent with ICE protocols, the appropriate state health and local law enforcement agencies have also been informed.

Tino-Lopez is the tenth detainee to pass away in ICE custody in fiscal year 2016.