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OHIO INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORT: ALLEGATION OF THEFT OF TIME NOT SUPPORTED BY EVIDENCE

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The inspector general issued a report of investigation today which examined an allegation against an employee at the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. A complainant alleged the employee in question had collected pay for claiming to be at work during days and times when the employee was alleged to be away, or not otherwise engaged in work, for the state of Ohio.

The investigation reviewed the timekeeping and access swipe card records for the employee, and investigators interviewed a number of employees and administrators at the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. However, a review of the evidence did not support the allegation that the employee had acted improperly, or indicate that a wrongful act had occurred.

The inspector general did make a recommendation asking the director of the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services to work toward improving the record retention policies relating to access swipe card records.

Ohio Inspector General Report of Investigation 2015-CA00040 is now available at:

<http://watchdog.ohio.gov/Investigations/2016Investigations.aspx>

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