Inmate death investigated by KBI

(KAIR)--The death of a Leavenworth County Jail inmate is under investigation.

The Leavenworth Times reports the woman was found unresponsive in her unit at the jail early Wednesday morning.

The Kansas Bureau of Investigation is conducting the probe into the death.

An autopsy is planned.

According to the newspaper, the woman was pronounced dead after Leavenworth County EMS responded.

KBI Communications Director Melissa Underwood confirmed the investigation, telling the newspaper the KBI is required under law to investigate all deaths that occur in Kansas jails or prisons. The requirement is waived if the cause of death is determined to be natural.

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