Meth Arrests Follow Discovery In Jail

(KAIR)--The prevalence of methamphetamine is made apparent through it's discovery inside the Atchison County Jail.

That word from Sheriff Jack Laurie, following the arrest of two inmates for possessing the drug. "
[Fox was] strip searched at the time of the booking," Laurie tells MSC News. "This one slipped by, and unfortunately, was able to get it into the jail without anybody noticing."

Arrested for allegedly possessing the meth inside the jail is 35-year-old Nicole Fox and 43-year-old Tammy Ontiveros.

It's believed Fox, who was booked into the jail on June 5th, had the drug concealed internally, and that's why it wasn't found at that time.

The investigation alleges that Ontiveros had received the meth authorities say she was in possession of from Fox.

The discovery was made June 12th during a contraband search, that came after a tip was made to jail staff, who then began to monitor the situation.

Laurie says it's unknown if any other inmates had received a portion of the meth, but it's believed all of the illegal product, inside the jail, has been located.

Fox was originally booked into the jail after she allegedly pulled the trigger in a non-fatal Atchison County shooting. She was being held on charges of criminal possession of a firearm by a felon, possession of methamphetamine, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Ontiveros was arrested in March on burglary related charges.

Laurie says the additional meth-related charges have been forwarded to the Atchison County Attorney for review.

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