

South Carolina Department of Corrections

June 4, 2019
For immediate release
Contact: Chrysti Shain, (803) 413-8206
Shain.Chrysti@doc.sc.gov

COLUMBIA, S.C. – A South Carolina inmate housed at Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility in Tutwiler, Miss., died Sunday.

Kenneth Harris, 41, began having seizures in his cell about 4 a.m. Sunday. His roommate alerted officials, who administered CPR and other emergency measures. Harris was taken to Merit Health Regional Medical Center in Clarksdale, Miss., where he died about 5:30 a.m.

An autopsy is being conducted to determine the cause of death. Foul play is not suspected.

Harris was serving a 22-year sentence for voluntary manslaughter. He was transferred from Broad River Correctional Institution to Tallahatchie County in June, 2018.