



## **South Carolina Department of Corrections**

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**COLUMBIA, S.C.** – An inmate at McCormick Correctional Institution was killed at the institution yesterday.

Garrett Lemont Lyles Jr., 31, was stabbed multiple times with what is believed to be a homemade weapon. An officer and nurse provided medical assistance until emergency medical services arrived. He was pronounced dead at the institution.

Lyles was stabbed in a common area in the dorm in which he lived. The SCDC Office of Investigations and Intelligence and S.C. Law Enforcement Division are investigating the death as a homicide.

An autopsy will be performed.