



Correctional Response Readiness Checklist

A practical tool to assess incident response capabilities
across your facility



Why Readiness Matters

Correctional facilities are complex, high-risk environments. When incidents occur—assaults, medical emergencies, or group disturbances—EVERY. SECOND. MATTERS.® when it comes to response time.

Corrections staff experience some of the highest rates of on-the-job incidents of any occupation, and operational pressures continue to grow. Yet with rising populations and ongoing staffing shortages, response readiness is harder than ever for corrections teams to achieve and maintain. That's why we developed this emergency response readiness checklist. It's a tool designed to identify blind spots in your emergency planning now before they create operational risk.

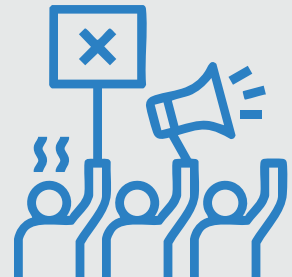
True readiness isn't just about response—it's about giving your people the confidence that support will reach them when they need it most.

The Four Critical Incident Categories: *What You Need to Stay Ready*

1. Group Disturbances and Coordinated Disruptions

Large-scale disruptions demand clear communication and coordinated response.

- Facility-wide alerts that don't rely on Wi-Fi or cell service
- Alerting capabilities to instantly communicate lockdowns and incidents
- Command visibility to coordinate updates in real time
- Staff trained to recognize and act on early warning signs
- Procedures reviewed and stress-tested regularly



2. Corrections Officer Assaults by Inmates

Immediate support helps contain incidents and reduces time an officer is without backup.

- Wearable badges with push-button activation for rapid assistance
- Automatic alerts to supervisors and command staff
- Clear, reinforced response protocols and drills
- Post-incident reviews that strengthen readiness
- Logged response times to track performance and improvement



3. Medical Emergencies

Medical events require immediate, coordinated action across teams.

- Instant alerts to medical staff from any location
- Clear, consistent emergency codes (e.g., Code Blue)
- Marked transport routes and known access points
- Maintained and accessible emergency kits and AEDs
- Regular post-event reviews to refine readiness



4. Inmate Movement and Escort Operations

Movement between zones carries unique operational risks.

- Command visibility of response routes and staff movement within the facility
- Wearable alert badges that work without Wi-Fi or cell signals
- Unified alert coverage across gates, corridors and sally ports
- Regularly tested transport and escort procedures
- Alerts integrated with the facility's broader safety plan



Facility-Wide Readiness Indicators

Even one 'no' on this checklist can create avoidable delays, operational strain, or elevated risk.

Ask yourself if your facility can confidently say "yes" to the following:	YES	NO
Staff can trigger an alert from anywhere in or around the facility—no Wi-Fi or cell signal required.		
Command dashboard can see every zone and initiate a rapid lockdown.		
Facility-wide audible alerts are clear and consistent.		
Response times are tracked and reviewed for improvement.		
Training is simple, intuitive, and remains effective with high staff turnover.		
Communication systems have built-in redundancy.		
Response system provides up-to-date, room-level location information for alerts, evacuation routes, and emergency equipment.		

Any one of these blind spots can leave your facility—and your staff—vulnerable and without the support they need when every second matters.



Are You Ready to Respond?

CENTEGIX® helps corrections leaders close communications and technology gaps, which lead to slower incident response times. Our Safety Platform®, featuring discreet wearable badges, is designed to deliver immediate notifications across your entire facility so your safety team can respond faster with precise location information across your facility.

- ✓ Wearable, one-button, intuitive badge
- ✓ Alert notification regardless of Wi-Fi or cell networks.
- ✓ Full-facility coverage – every cell, corridor, route
- ✓ Seamless alignment with existing emergency plans
- ✓ Ability to update layouts and staffing independently
- ✓ Trusted for public safety at institutions nationwide



Today, over **18,000 organizations** across education, healthcare, and public safety trust CENTEGIX® innovative safety solutions to empower and protect people (every day).

Ready to see how CENTEGIX® can strengthen your facility's incident response readiness?

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