

**Press Release**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Wednesday March 8, 2007 1:35pm

**SUBJECT:**

Inmate Death Investigation

**TEXT:**

The Sutter County Sheriff-Coroner's Department is continuing its investigation, pending final toxicology results, into the death of Anthony Evans Carpio. Carpio was discovered by jail staff to be in some unknown type of medical distress in a holding cell at yesterday afternoon.

An autopsy conducted this morning discovered a two plastic baggies in the stomach tract of the deceased, both of which had come open. A preliminary chemical test of the substance remaining in the baggies tested positive presumptive for methamphetamine.

Additionally, in interviewing fellow cell-mates, investigators learned that the deceased allegedly told the cell-mates that he had swallowed a quantity of methamphetamine just prior to being stopped by Yuba City Police hours earlier.

Specific toxicology results are expected within the next seven to ten days.

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