IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

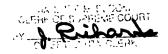
MONTE HAWES, BRIAN LEPLEY AND MICHAEL WATTS,

Petitioners,

vs.

DIRECTOR, NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF PRISONS; STATE HEALTH OFFICER; AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN AND HEALTH SERVICES, Respondents. No. 37499

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ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS

Petitioners, through this proper person petition for a writ of mandamus, challenge the adequacy of prison HIV counseling and educational programs mandated by NRS 209.385. We have considered the petition, respondents' answer and all attached documents, and we conclude that our intervention is not warranted.¹

We may, in our discretion, issue a writ of mandamus to compel the performance of a duty, if petitioners have no plain, speedy and adequate legal remedy.² Here, it appears that the Nevada Department of Prisons (NDOP) has fulfilled its duty of establishing an HIV counseling and educational program for inmates. In addition, petitioners concede

¹Although petitioners were not granted leave to file papers in proper person, <u>see NRAP 46(b)</u>, we have considered all documents received from them. We deny petitioners' motion to dismiss or withdraw their petition, and we deny petitioner Lepley's motion to supplement the writ petition or for an order to show cause.

²Smith v. District Court, 107 Nev. 674, 677, 818 P.2d 849, 851-52 (1991); NRS 34.160; NRS 34.170.

that NDOP provides adequate HIV/AIDS medical care and treatment, and they have not demonstrated that NDOP has any duty to provide dietary supplements. Petitioners have not demonstrated that extraordinary relief is warranted. Accordingly, we

ORDER the petition DENIED.

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