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<u>Methamphetamine Fentanyl, Stopped from Entering Correctional Facility,</u> <u>Felony Charges Following Intake Search</u>

(TOWN OF DICKINSON) A Binghamton woman is facing four felony charges after methamphetamine and fentanyl were found during the intake process at the Broome County Correctional Facility.

On October 6, 2023, Danielle Ashdown, age 45 of Binghamton, NY was arrested by Binghamton Police and remanded to the Broome County Correctional Facility for violation of a conditional discharge. During Correctional Facility intake procedures, a routine search uncovered two clear bags hidden on her person, containing a white powder and crystal-like substance. Both bags field tested positive for methamphetamine and fentanyl with an aggregate weight of 4.25g. Also recovered were two sealed packages containing 8mg/2mg buprenorphine and naloxone film.

Following an investigation, Danielle Ashdown was charged with the following:

- One Count of Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 4th Degree, a Class C Felony
- Three Counts of Promoting Prison Contraband in the 1st Degree, Class D Felonies

Ashdown was arraigned in the Town of Dickinson Court and remains at the Broome County Correctional Facility.

"Dangerous illegal drugs put lives a risk, plain and simple," said Sheriff Fred Akshar. Preventing Methamphetamines, Fentanyl and other contraband from entering the Correctional Facility is essential to maintaining the health and safety of those who both live and work there every day. I applaud the work of our Corrections Officers and the Corrections Investigations Team and another job well done."

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