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TO: All WCC Staff
All WCC Incarcerated Population

FROM: Shawn Brooks, Incident Commander

SUBJECT: WCC COVID-19 Weekly Update

January 6, 2022, Washington Corrections Center was placed on Facility Wide Outbreak status and began testing the entire population. Since then, every living unit has been regularly tested in an orderly fashion. Due to delays in receiving test results from the lab, WCC has recently transitioned to the use of Rapid-Antigen Tests. As of January 27, 2022, WCC has 383 medically isolated COVID-19 positive incarcerated individuals.

We continue to follow the Prisons Division Cluster and Outbreak Checklist and remain in restricted movement at this time.

Washington Corrections Center has resumed the classification process for Individuals who have been medically cleared. Additionally, inter-facility transports have also resumed for specific Individuals as cleared by medical.

Over the next week, every living unit will continue to be administered COVID-19 tests in a systematic fashion, based on an area’s identified risk. While WCC will continue to utilize rapid antigen testing (RAT) where appropriate, we will also be incorporating a return to PCR tests where they make sense.

Unit statuses are as follows.

R-1 is on Quarantine Status.
R-2 is on Medical Isolation Status.
R-3 is on Quarantine Status.
R-4 is on Quarantine Status.
R-5 A/B tiers are on Quarantine Status. R-5 C/D, E/F, G/H tiers are on Medical Isolation Status.
R-6 A/B, C/D tiers are on Medical Isolation Status. R-6 E/F, G/H tiers are on Quarantine Status.

Evergreen Hall been placed on Quarantine Status.
Cedar Hall is on Quarantine Status.

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IMU A tier is on Medical Isolation status. IMU B and C tiers are on Medical Isolation/Quarantine status. IMU D, E and F tiers are on Quarantine Status.

The RDCF is on Medical Isolation Status.

G-Unit is on Medical Isolation Status.

It is imperative that everyone continue to wear a surgical mask or appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE). Similarly, it is vital that we continue to follow the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines: ensuring to follow the six foot physical-distancing rule, washing your hands, and keeping high-touch areas of the facility sanitized.

Corrections is committed to everyone’s safety. We will continue to communicate with you as we progress through this pandemic.