April 26, 2022

TO: All Staff & All Incarcerated Individuals
Washington Corrections Center for Women

FROM: Gerald Holter, Co-Incident Commander
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SUBJECT: LIFTED - CCU LAO

Effective April 7, 2022, the WCCW Close Custody Unit was placed on Limited Area Outbreak Status, and incarcerated individuals could not participate in visitation. WCCW has managed this LAO with great care and is happy to announce that, effective, April 27, 2022, at 0530 all CCU has been released from quarantine status and will be able to resume participating in visitation with their loved ones.

The WA State DOC COVID-19 Screening, Testing, and Infection Control Guidelines provide the protocol for managing COVID-19 outbreaks in DOC facilities. Per these guidelines, an:

- An outbreak is defined as a group of confirmed cases of COVID-19 that includes at least one incarcerated individual.
  - **Limited Area Outbreak**: Two or more confirmed cases of COVID-19 in incarcerated individuals occurring within 14 days who reside in the same living area OR
  - One or more confirmed cases of COVID-19 in an incarcerated individual AND one or more confirmed cases of COVID-19 in staff or volunteers working in proximity to the incarcerated individual case/cases occurring within 14 days.

Due to this LAO being lifted, effective immediately, the requirement from April 21, 2022, memo regarding the N95 Mask Requirement has been lifted as well. Thank you for being so patient during the time. We will continue to follow the Center for Disease Control and Washington State Department of Health guidelines and make your health and safety our priority. Please remember that those in Intake Separation, Quarantine, and/or Isolation Status will be prohibited from participating in visitation.

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