Corrections' COVID-19 Bulletin

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Current Status

As the Department continues to adjust our practices to address the demands of responding to
the COVID-19 pandemic, it is imperative to provide some capacity relief to the Washington
Corrections Center – Reception and Diagnostics Center. As such, it is necessary to temporarily
reassign completion of initial Washington ONE assessments to the assigned Classification
Counselor at the receiving parent facility. Upon arrival at the parent facility, the assigned
Classification Counselor will complete a Washington ONE assessment as directed in DOC
320.400.

Numbers at a Glance

- 896 Total Staff Cases to Date
- **15,111** November 2020 Total <u>Average Daily Population</u> of Incarcerated Individuals for Prison and Work Release Facilities
- 1,400 Total Active Incarcerated Cases
- 3,586 Total Recovered Incarcerated Cases
- 18th out of 50 states for number of positive cases (Data from covidprisonproject.com)
- 23rd out of 50 states for <u>cases as a percentage of the population</u> (Data from <u>covidprisonproject.com</u>)

Frequently Asked Question

- What is the protocol when an incarcerated individual exhibits symptoms or tests positive for COVID-19?
 - Testing of the incarcerated population is conducted per the department's <u>COVID-19</u>
 <u>Screening</u>, <u>Testing</u>, <u>and Infection Control Guideline</u>. Incarcerated individuals are tested if they are identified during contact tracing, self-identify symptoms and/or if they are identified by staff as being symptomatic.
 - Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 are then appropriately placed on quarantine status or in medical isolation, per the Department's <u>COVID-19 Screening</u>, <u>Testing</u>, and <u>Infection Control Guideline</u>, depending on whether they are symptomatic or asymptomatic and are kept separate from healthy individuals.

Prison Facilities

Airway Heights Corrections Center (AHCC)

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 812
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 1,484
- Incarcerated individuals on medical isolation status are seen by mental health providers, per the WA State DOC COVID-19 Mental Health/Psychiatry Response Guideline, while housed in alternate housing areas.
- Incarcerated individuals on medical isolation status housed in alternate housing areas have access to a classification staff.

Larch Correction Center (LCC)

Number of new cases in last 30 days: 219

- Number of confirmed cases to date: 219
- Commissary orders were delivered to incarcerated individuals in the Silver Star Unit today.
- All incarcerated individuals have received in-cell activity packets, which include word puzzles, brain teasers, and coloring activities.

Monroe Correctional Complex (MCC)

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 140
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 209
- The facility continues work to convert the Washington State Reformatory Unit (WSRU) gym into an alternate housing area for asymptomatic COVID-19 positive individuals.
- The alternate housing area in the WSRU gym will have televisions, telephones, and access to recreational activities.
- Incarcerated individuals housed in alternate housing areas are allowed to bring personal property, including commissary, hygiene, keep-on-person medications, publications, legal materials, and religious items.

Stafford Creek Corrections Center (SCCC)

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 743
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 979
- The facility has improved the process for communicating cohort quarantine status and when cohorts are scheduled to be removed from quarantine status.

Washington Corrections Center (WCC)

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 461
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 799

Washington State Penitentiary (WSP)

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 523
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 853

Work Release Facilities

New arrivals to Work Release Facilities are being housed in in-take separation status. They receive a COVID-19 test upon arrival and again seven (7) days later. During in-take separation, residents complete orientation and individual case plan, and familiarize themselves with the work release program.

Ahtanum View Work Release

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 4
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 4

Significant Event Timeline

The <u>COVID-19 Significant Event Timeline</u> is published publicly for interested parties and stakeholders to promote and cultivate an environment of integrity and trust, and to foster openness, values which are part of Corrections' mission to improve public safety. The following occurred today:

- 01/06/21 Message from Superintendent Holbrook to <u>staff</u> and <u>incarcerated individuals</u> regarding COVID-19 updates.
- 01/07/21 Message regarding the <u>temporary reassignment of initial Washington ONE</u> assessments.

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