

Corrections' COVID-19 Bulletin

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Current Status

Per Secretary Sinclair's previous [Mandatory Use of Surgical Masks](#) memo sent on November 6, 2020, the department enhanced personal protective equipment (PPE) measures and implemented mandatory wearing of surgical masks for all departmental staff, contract staff and persons entering all department locations:

- The [requirement has been extended](#) and will remain in place through February 28, 2021 and all department locations will continue to provide surgical masks for usage by staff, contractors and others entering department locations.

Numbers at a Glance

- **978** Total Staff Cases to Date
- **15,111** November 2020 Total [Average Daily Population](#) of Incarcerated Individuals for Prison and Work Release Facilities
- **1,232** Total Active Incarcerated Cases
- **4,176** Total Recovered Incarcerated Cases
- **18th** out of 50 states for [number of positive cases](#) (Data from [covidprisonproject.com](#))
- **19th** out of 50 states for [cases as a percentage of the population](#) (Data from [covidprisonproject.com](#))

Topic of Interest

The [COVID Prison Project](#) tracks data and policy across the country to monitor COVID-19 in correctional facilities. As compared with reporting from all 50 state correctional agencies, WA Corrections' ranks:

- 18th out of 50 states for [number of positive cases](#)
- 19th out of 50 states for [cases as a percentage of the population](#)
- 43rd out of 50 states for [mortality rate among incarcerated individuals](#)

Prison Facilities

Airway Heights Corrections Center (AHCC)

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 633
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 1,504
- Reminder sent to staff and incarcerated individuals in regards to following COVID-19 protocols.
- The facility continues to clean, sanitize and disinfect areas between cohort use. This includes the sanitization of all surfaces, phones, KIOSK/JPay keyboards, and microwaves.
- Restricted movement at the Minimum Security Unit will be lifted tomorrow, January 16, 2021.

Coyote Ridge Corrections Center (CRCC)

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 6
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 354
- As of January 14, 2021, CRCC is in outbreak status.

Larch Correction Center (LCC)

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 280
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 280

Monroe Correctional Complex (MCC)

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 248
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 317
- A 30-bed Rapid Deployment Care Facility (RDCF) has been setup at the Twin Rivers Unit (TRU) for utilization as an alternate housing area for COVID-19 positive individuals that require enhanced medical care. (see photo gallery)

Photo Gallery



Stafford Creek Corrections Center (SCCC)

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 661
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 1,035

Washington Corrections Center (WCC)

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 364
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 897

Washington State Penitentiary (WSP)

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 530
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 931

Work Release Facilities

Ahtanum View Work Release

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

Significant Event Timeline

The [COVID-19 Significant Event Timeline](#) 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:

- 01/15/21 – Memo to staff, contractors and those entering department locations extending mandatory use of surgical masks.
- 01/15/21 – Memo to staff participating in serial testing regarding serial staff testing negative results confirmation.
- 01/15/21 – Message from Superintendent Holbrook to [staff](#) and [incarcerated individuals](#).
- 01/14/21 – Message from Superintendent Key to [staff](#) and [incarcerated individuals](#).

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