

Corrections' COVID-19 Bulletin

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Current Status

The Department of Corrections continues to be focused on mitigating the transmission of COVID-19 and regularly reviews and updates its protocols based on guidance from the Washington State Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control.

Numbers at a Glance

- **13,334** August 2021 Total [Average Daily Population](#) of Incarcerated Individuals for Prison and Work Release Facilities
- **1,955** Total Staff Cases have had COVID-19 to Date
- **6,511** Total Recovered Incarcerated Cases
- **73** Total Active Incarcerated Cases
- **62** Incarcerated Individuals in Medical Isolation
- **942** Incarcerated Individuals in Quarantine
- **9,409** Incarcerated Individuals have received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine
- **4,222** Staff* have received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine
- **19th** out of 50 states for [number of positive cases](#) (Data from [covidprisonproject.com](#))
- **21st** out of 50 states for [cases as a percentage of the population](#) (Data from [covidprisonproject.com](#))
- **40th** for [mortality rate of positive COVID-19 cases](#) out of the 44 states that report mortality rate data (Data from [covidprisonproject.com](#))

**This number includes Corrections Staff, Contract Staff, Office of the Ombuds and Disability Rights Washington who received vaccine doses from DOC and does not include those staff members who were vaccinated elsewhere*

Clinical Corner

By Dr. Lara Strick, Infectious Disease Specialist

Since last week, the federal regulatory agencies have officially approved a Pfizer booster vaccine for certain populations 6 months after receiving the initial 2-dose vaccination series. A Pfizer booster is currently recommended for those 65 years or older, adults with underlying medical conditions as well as those at increased risk for COVID-19 exposure and transmission because of occupational or institutional settings. This means that all individuals who work or live in a prison or work release setting are now eligible to receive a Pfizer booster vaccine if they got Pfizer vaccine for their initial 2-dose vaccine series. Most of the staff and population in Washington DOC facilities received the Moderna or J&J vaccines and therefore are not yet eligible for a booster COVID-19 vaccine. However, it is expected that discussions about the need for boosters for Moderna and J&J vaccines will occur over the next several months by the federal regulatory agencies.

	3-dose vaccine series	Booster vaccine
Who is it recommended for?	Significantly immunosuppressed only	65 years and older 18+ with underlying medical conditions 18+ who work in high-risk settings 18+ who live in high-risk settings
Timing?	28 days after 2 nd dose	6 months after 2 nd dose
Is it currently approved to get?	Yes	Yes
Which vaccines?	Moderna & Pfizer	Pfizer ONLY

*Of note, booster vaccines are not part of the current Governor's mandate for COVID-19 vaccination.

Prison Facilities

Limited Area Outbreak

Coyote Ridge Corrections Center

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 25
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 445

Olympic Corrections Center

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 3
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 3

Stafford Creek Corrections Center

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 29
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 1236

Facility Wide Outbreak

Clallam Bay Corrections Center

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 83
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 107

Washington Corrections Center

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 69
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 1089

DOC's COVID-19 Response

Visit the [COVID-19 Significant Event Timeline](#), which 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.

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