



FAMILY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Location: Teams Meeting Date: 02/03/2022 Time: 1030

Teleconference details: _____

Meeting Attendees

Department/facility co-chair: AS: Andrew Sawyer Family co-chair: Elizabeth Deleon

Facility/council secretary: AA3: Alexandra Stevenson Family secretary, if applicable: Loren Taylor and _____

Members present: Andrew Sawyer (Associate Superintendent), William Copeland (Family Services), Alexandra Stevenson (Administrative Assistant 3), Christopher Mequet (Health Services Manager 2), Elizabeth Deleon, Allyson Alexander, Gwen McIlveen, Mary Mansour, Loren Taylor, Kristen Hunt, Kazuko Fowler, Melissa Hunter, Sandi Tewes

Non-council member attendees: None.

Agenda

Old business

Topic	Discussion/Key Points	Next Steps
Welcome and Announcements	Andrew Sawyer welcomed attendees.	
Roll Call	Alexandra Stevenson	

New business

Topic	Discussion/Key Points	Next Steps
CRCC COVID-19 Status	Andrew Sawyer asked for any new questions from the family members (see below). -Continue to be on facility wide outbreak at both MSC and MSU. -Multiple units are being utilized to house individuals who are positive, close contacts, or symptomatic. -Multiple staff have come back to work and testing is being done daily.	Continue to contain and monitor the current outbreak. Communicate with staff, incarcerated individuals, and family members about the COVID-19 Status at CRCC.

Roundtable open discussion

- There are numerous staff who are threatening individuals about mask compliance. For example, they are told they will have to cell in or their dayroom time will be taken away if they do not wear their masks properly. Staff should ask them instead of order them.
 - There are compliance issues in numerous units and conversations have been had with both the staff and incarcerated individuals. In some units they are not addressing the small things until it is a bigger issue and the response seems more severe. We continue to look into areas of concern via video, we expect staff to address non-compliance and expect the population to comply with the expectations.
- If there are only 42 people in a Unit, then why can they not have more time out?
 - When this occurs the individuals left in the unit are spread throughout the unit.

Specifically with G unit, there are 44 rooms. When everyone is separated out we continue to run the unit in small cohorts. This causes the amount of time out to not change, just the number of people in each cohort is less.

- I think there needs to be some acceptance of the issue at hand and to remember to be kind with one another.
 - Thank you.
- If they are locked down due to COVID, can they still schedule a legal call outside of their cohort time?
 - Yes. If they have any urgent legal issues they can also send the law library a kite.
- How many times do the individuals have to test negative to get off of quarantine status?
 - 14 day minimum with 2 negative test without any other positives. Sometimes this is hard because the whole unit can't have a single positive.
- If staff test positive, does the unit have to start over?
 - No. In both D and E unit there were 2 or more positive staff members. This put them in a cluster status. At that point, the incarcerated individuals only had to test one time and wait for the results.
- How many times a week are staff testing?
 - This depends on numerous factors. If a staff member has a close contact that is not continuous, they test on day 0, 3, 5, and 7. If the contact is ongoing, they are off work for 3-5 days and then rapid test for 14 days as well as continue to PCR test twice a week. However, if a staff member has not had any contact or COVID, they are required to PCR twice a week. After a staff member has tested positive, they are off work for 5 days. Then they come back to work and take a rapid test. They cannot return to work until the rapid test they take is negative.
- How do we stop COVID from coming into the facility?
 - We are working on getting more rapid test, however there is a supply issue. Testing staff does help some with this issue.
- Do you go by full unit when taking individuals off quarantine?
 - Clinically, this is difficult because staff are going from one pod to the other. When we can divide a unit by pod then we will do so.
- Why can't the positive individuals go to yard?
 - There is a possibility they would expose other people who are in the yard. It would also have to be done in cohorts. Due to the number of cohorts in each unit, this is not possible at this time because we would not be able to get everyone yard time each day. We will explore ways to get outside time where we can for those affected.
- When will property be delivered?
 - It is handed out daily, but they may be a bit behind. I will look into this.

Next meeting location: Microsoft Teams Date: 2/5/2022 Time: 1000

Comments: _____

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