

SFC Questions April 24, 2020

Questions may be grouped together if they were asked by more than one person.
If specific questions about individuals were asked, they were removed.
If you have specific questions about your loved one, please contact your local facility.

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PRESENT ON CALL:

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Suzanne Cook, Statewide Family Co-Chair
Rhonda Roberts, Statewide DOC Secretary
AHCC: Yoshi Garcia
CCCC: Leslie Redic
CRCC: Stephanie Biedman
LCC: Stephanie Sanderson
MCCCW: Melody Simle
SCCC: Susan Cooksey
WCCW: Jason Rice
WSP: Wendy Dubinsky
HQ: Jeremy Barclay, Paige Perkinson, Lisa Flynn, Dawn Taylor
OCO: Joanna Carns, Matthias Gyde, Caitlyn Roberston

PRE-SUBMITTED QUESTIONS

1. LFC Discussion & Questions (Lack of Application Process due to Policy Change; Disruptions to LFC calls, etc)

Discussion held regarding changes to policy regarding who is considered to be a LFC member to include removal of application process. Discussed process to address disruptive behavior on LFC informational calls with request for input.

Perhaps another more visible format (Zoom, WebEx) would be helpful if this really is something to resolve. I might suggest these formats for the SFC meetings as well.

Jeneva will be looking into how we could utilize a format such as Skype. DOC no longer uses WebEx, and there are several security risks with Zoom. More to come, prior to next scheduled SFC call on 05/08/2020.

2. Are transfers between facilities still going on during the pandemic?

Limited transfers are occurring to reduce overcrowding and for medical reasons. Currently no transfers are occurring into or out of MCC and SCCC.

3. If men are transferred to other facilities as soon as vacancies become available due to the Governor's early release plans, is there an estimate on a timeline?
Not at this time. There are teams working on a plan for this, and moves are being made as appropriate.
4. Are men still going thru WCC before being transferred to other facilities?
WCC is our state reception center for males. New commitments must go through WCC prior to transferring to parent facilities. However, in regards to transfers, not all incarcerants go through WCC, although some do.
5. Monroe is still listed as the only facility that has the virus. Will transfers to Monroe resume after April 27?
It is highly unlikely, although that decision will be reevaluated on April 27.
6. What is the health status of the men at Monroe who tested positive?
All individuals at MCC who have tested positive are being provided appropriate medical care. As noted before, cannot provide personal health care information on individuals.
7. When an individual is transferred to another facility and placed in quarantine or isolation, does that automatically mean IMU, or does it vary depending on facility?
This varies by facility and what options are available for wet cells. This would be a great question to ask on your LFC calls as to where individuals in medical isolation and/or quarantine are housed at that facility.
8. Demographics of those who are being released through commutation, rapid reentry, and furloughs
I don't have this information. It is not a deciding factor, and at this time, I don't know who (if anyone) has been tracking this information.
9. Do we know if prison inmates are eligible for stimulus checks? If so, what is the process? Will the money be taxed if directed to spendable?
For those that are eligible to receive IRS stimulus checks, the funds are subject to the deductions noted in RCW 72.09.480 (below). It would be posted as an "other" deposit (circled below) and, depending on each individual's outstanding obligations and whether the individual is exempt from a savings account (LWOP, de-facto LIFE), could be subject to all deductions. The Deduction Matrix associated with DOC 200.000 *Trust Accounts for Incarcerated Individuals* is noted below:

DEDUCTION MATRIX

TYPE OF DEPOSIT	LFO	CVC	SAVINGS	DCS	COI	PLRA	CIVJDG	DEBT	Notes*
NON-EXEMPT									
Class I compensation	20%	5%	10%	-	20%	20%	20%	-	1
Class II compensation	20%	5%	10%	15%	15%	20%	15%	20%	1
Class III compensation	-	5%	-	15%	-	20%	15%	20%	-
Class IV compensation	-	-	-	15%	5%	20%	15%	20%	-
Work/Training Release paycheck	10%	-	12%	-	-	20%	-	20%	-
Workers' Compensation benefits	100%	5%	10%	-	20%	20%	-	20%	1, 2
Lawsuit settlement	20%	5%	10%	-	20%	20%	20%	20%	1
Lawsuit settlement - Life Without Parole (LWOP)	20%	5%	-	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%	-
Inheritance	20%	5%	10%	100%	20%	20%	20%	20%	1, 3
Other deposit not listed above	20%	5%	10%	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%	1

Most will have at least LFO, CVC, Savings, and COI. DCS is owing to Division of Child Services for those with a child support obligation, PLRA is filing fees owed to a US district court, CIVJDG is owed to a DOC employee who has had a civil judgment for assault entered against an individual, and DEBT is owed to DOC for services/supplies provided to the individual when their account lacked sufficient funds.

Information Sharing:

- Discussed density reduction at stand alone and co-located camps
- Discussed sending a kiosk message to incarcerated individuals reminding them of the Health Services Release of Information
- Reminder to submit questions by Noon on Wednesday prior to calls

Additional Questions On Call:

- When will next set of individuals be released?
 - This is an ongoing process and as criteria is met (for instance, approved ORPs, etc), individuals will be granted commutation / rapid reentry
- Is Union Supply still providing items as ordered?
 - Yes
- Can we increase the Union Supply orders to 20 lbs instead of 10 lbs?
 - Not at this time
- Concerns raised about JPay and video visit issues.
 - Unfortunately, this is an ongoing concern; JPay manages their machines and we have no authority / ability to fix - Please notify JPay of any issues