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TO: All Incarcerated Individuals
FROM: ^{DVO} Dan Van Ogle, Incident Commander
SUBJECT: Restricted Movement Due to COVID-19

Over the past week, Stafford Creek Corrections Center (SCCC) has been challenged with a growing number of COVID-19 positive incarcerated individuals in our general population. As of yesterday, December 4, there were 85 confirmed positive COVID-19 individuals and we expect that number to rise over the weekend. It is important to know that test results are received throughout the day and evening, and must go thru appropriate verification before they are published.

Over the last few days, we have placed additional living units on quarantine in an effort to limit additional exposures to the population. As a result of the growing number of COVID-19 positive cases and the associated quarantined cases that go with them, we have reached a point in time in which we will have to take additional steps to limit the potential exposure of COVID-19 to our institution's incarcerated population.

Starting today, the facility will be moving to Restricted Movement due to COVID-19. This change will impact your ability to attend regularly scheduled programs, call-outs, and services.

H1 unit has been identified as a housing area for positive asymptomatic COVID-19 individuals. The requirements for this area will be different from the current limited cohorted movement in effect for the rest of the facility. In H1 unit, normal dayroom activities will be authorized per the Offender Handbook. During distribution of mainline meals and the twice daily mandatory medical assessments, dayroom activities will be restricted, with the exception of emergent restroom use. Surgical masks are still required for all individuals while outside of cells. Please avoid close contact with staff in the area, maintaining appropriate social distancing at this time is critical to mitigate the spread of COVID.

H-5 A Pod has been placed on quarantine status and per DOC Screening, Testing, and Infection Control Guidelines, health services staff will perform once daily medical assessments and the unit will follow all cohorted movement schedules.

These steps are meant to minimize the short and long-term impact that our response will have. As we move forward in the upcoming weeks you can expect to see cohorting in the dayrooms and shower/bathroom areas, and an increased awareness to Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) protocols, cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfecting, and social distancing. It is our hope by taking these measures that we can mitigate potential exposure and reduce the amount of time it will take to get back to a new normal with our operations.

Thank you all for your cooperation and patience through this difficult time.