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TO: All Staff
Washington Corrections Center for Women

FROM: Paula Chandler, Incident Commander
Paul Clark, Health Services Incident Commander

SUBJECT: COVID-19 Positive Incarcerated Individuals

On December 6, 2020, Washington Corrections Center for Women (WCCW) received positive COVID-19 test results for five (5) incarcerated individuals. Of the five (5) positive cases, four (4) cases were violators who tested positive while housed in intake separation. These individuals had no contact with the general population and have been placed in medical isolation. The remaining positive case was housed within the facility and has been placed in medical isolation, and L-Unit A-Wing and RDC-B Pod have been placed on quarantine status as per protocols.

The facility medical director has begun contact mapping of incarcerated and staff following established protocols. A health care team will complete a symptom and temperature checks of all incarcerated individuals in the housing unit where positive individuals were housed.

Employees who are identified as close contacts will be notified. Any employee confirmed to have been in close contact will be asked to self-quarantine at home until the suggested quarantine period ends.

Personal protective equipment has been issued to everyone to keep you safe and mitigate the spread of COVID-19. We continue to thoroughly clean and disinfect the all units. As a reminder, please continue to follow COVID-19 protocols by providing extra cleaning supplies to the incarcerated individuals, strictly enforcing the proper use of face coverings, social distancing rules, and good hand-washing hygiene.

Please continue to wear your surgical masks and other required PPE at all times, practice good hand-washing hygiene and maintain six feet social distancing at all times, avoid congregating at

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lunch times or on breaks. These measures are not punitive – they are precautionary and aimed at keeping all of us healthy and well.

We are committed to everyone's safety and will continue to communicate as we progress through this outbreak.

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