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To: CRCC - Staff

From: Incident Command Post Australia

Subject: CRCC MSU COVID-19 Update

We thank you for your patience and flexibility as we continue to work through the current COVID-19 outbreak. Your continued teamwork during this ongoing response is vital as we work together to mitigate the spread of the virus.

Updates:

- Alternative housing areas have been created for COVID-19 positive incarcerated individuals in the gym and in Restricted Housing at Medium Security Complex (MSC). Additionally, due to contact some incarcerated individuals had with those who tested positive, they were placed on quarantine.
- To mitigate the spread of the virus and create as much separation as possible, some individuals from Sage East have moved to the Extended Family Visit Units at MSC to assist in creating that separation.
- Incarcerated individuals who tested positive for COVID-19 may return to the Minimum Security Unit (MSU) once they are no longer showing symptoms for a period of 14 days and meet the criteria identified in the WA State DOC COVID-19 Screening, Testing, and Infection Control Guideline.
- As individuals recover from COVID-19 they are moving back into empty tiers in Camas Unit. The Incident Command Post (ICP) is currently working on a process to allow those individuals to work in the maintenance department, kitchen and mattress factory.
- Even though the rise in new positive cases has slowed, it remains crucial that our staff and population comply with the COVID-19 protocols to continue to slow the spread. Due to the large congregate setting in camps, it is imperative that everyone practice social distancing by remaining six feet from others, wash your hands frequently and wear a surgical mask. For staff working at the MSU, full Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) protocol is required.

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- Per COVID-19 protocols and for the health and safety of our staff and population:
 - Ensure that you comply with the weekly serial testing, and
 - Stay home if you're sick.

Our top priority is to ensure the health and safety of all staff and incarcerated individuals at Coyote Ridge Correction Center (CRCC) with the goal of mitigating the spread of the virus. The success of this goal at CRCC is linked directly to our ability to socially distance and follow proper PPE.

Thank you for all your hard work.