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December 9, 2020

TO: All Incarcerated Individuals
FROM: Gina Penrose, Incident Commander
RE: Incarcerated Individual COVID-19 Testing

Today December 9, 2020, Stafford Creek Corrections Center (SCCC) will begin mass COVID-19 testing of incarcerated individuals. Testing will start with individuals in the H2 living unit with the remainder of the facility beginning testing next week.

The test involves collecting a nasal specimen to detect active infection. It is not an antibody test and does not reflect your possible immune status from a previous infection. A swab will be inserted into the nose and rotated. It is not the more invasive nasopharyngeal swab and you may be asked to collect the specimen yourself. Individuals who test positive will be housed together. Individuals who test negative will be tested a second time and those that receive a double negative result will be housed together.

Test results are expected back in three to five days and individuals will be notified if the results are positive for COVID-19. If you refuse testing, you will be treated as if you are positive and will be placed in a separate medical isolation area to prevent potential spread. It is also possible that you may be placed in an alternative housing location while awaiting your test results.

Also beginning today, incarcerated individuals will be able to attend their pre-scheduled video visits. You will need to notify your Pod Officers in advance of the visit so everyone is aware of the individual movements.

Visits will be allowed during routine dayroom closures such as mainline and issue/med checks. However in the case of an emergency where there is a direct need to isolate the area, you will be required to end the visit.

Please communicate with the staff in your unit if you have any concerns. Updates will be provided as necessary.

Thank you for your cooperation.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gina Penrose".

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