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TO: All CRCC Staff
FROM: Jeffrey Uttecht, Superintendent
SUBJECT: CRCC COVID-19 Weekly Update and Important Information

Coyote Ridge Corrections Center (CRCC) G Unit A Pod is still on Limited Area Outbreak status after 7 individuals from this Pod have tested positive for COVID-19. The outlook seems to be positive and another round of tests were done. The rest of the facility continues with current normal operations. G Unit A Pod is on quarantine status pending the results of the testing. COVID-19 positive individuals are currently on medical isolation in alternate housing locations but as they recover are returning to the Unit.

Individuals in medical isolation or quarantine are allowed to take some items with them and will roll up their own property prior to being moved to isolation or quarantine housing.

Incarcerated individuals who tested positive for COVID-19 will be released back to their unit, from isolation, when they are no longer showing symptoms for a period of 14 days. Review protocols identified in the [WA State DOC COVID-19 Screening, Testing, and Infection Control Guidelines](#).

It is imperative that staff continue to wear a Surgical Mask, or appropriate [Personal Protective Equipment \(PPE\)](#), and practice social distancing at all times and hold the incarcerated responsible to meet these standards. Similarly, it is vital that we continue to follow the [Centers for Disease Control \(CDC\) guidelines](#), ensuring to follow the six (6) foot social distancing rule, washing your hands, and keeping areas of the institution sanitized.

Surgical Mask compliance and social distancing are crucial to our safety and to the safety of the incarcerated and demonstrates that we follow the requirements expected of us. When we follow the requirements, it increases compliance with the population.

Close contact with staff or the incarcerated is still not authorized unless proper PPE is worn or safety precautions are in place for the area, such as protective barriers. Potluck type meals are not authorized and sharing of food is discouraged. If you or someone you know is a close contact to a coworker that is positive/ suspected positive for COVID-19 or an isolated individual, please let screening staff know.

Corrections is committed to everyone's safety. We will continue to communicate with you as we progress through this pandemic.

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