# Washington State Penitentiary

## Superintendent's Office

**DATE:**       **August 27, 2021**

**TO:**          **All WSP Incarcerated Individuals**

**FROM**:       **Donald Holbrook, WSP Superintendent**

**SUBJECT:**   **WSP Limited Area Outbreak – Unit 6**

As of Friday, August 27, 2021 Washington State Penitentiary has one (1) confirmed positive COVID-19 cases from the incarcerated population in Unit 6, which remains in Limited Area Outbreak status.  IMU South and Victor Units have come off Limited Area Outbreak Status and returned to the normal movement schedule.

Due to staff positive results in IMU South, it is in Limited Area Cluster status, which requires the incarcerated population to be tested withing 72 hours.  Those tests are being conducted today.

While Unit 6 individuals will remain quarantined and unable to participate in visitation, the rest of the facility will continue normal operations.

We'd like to express gratitude for your cooperation and continued use of proper PPE, and hope that the trend of negative test results continues.   Unit 6 was tested again on Tuesday with negative results, and will be tested again every 7 days until two consecutive testing cycles with no new positive results are recorded. Please continue to cooperate with staff conducting the tests.  It is making a difference, and we cannot achieve normal movement and smooth operations without your continued cooperation and support.

It is very important that everyone continues to wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), as well as maintain social distancing at all times.  Please encourage and model the same behavior that we expect from everyone.

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. Please remain diligent in wearing your masks at all times, as your safety is a priority.

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