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TO: All CCCC Incarcerated Individuals

FROM: Dean Mason, Superintendent

SUBJECT: CCCC Facility Wide Outbreak

Cedar Creek Corrections Center (CCCC) continues on *Outbreak Status*. The current restricted movement will continue to impact your ability to attend regularly scheduled programs, callouts, and services. As of November 19, 2021, there are currently 6 staff and 31 Incarcerated Individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 14 days. As a result of the COVID-19 positive cases, CCCC began Rapid Antigen Testing, as well as PCR testing every 2 days of all Incarcerated Individuals in the facility. Following the [Prisons Division Cluster and Outbreak Checklist](#), we have reached the point where additional steps to limit the potential exposure of COVID-19 to the CCCC incarcerated population are necessary.

All Incarcerated Individuals who have tested positive are temporarily housed in an alternate housing unit and are on medical isolation. These individuals will be assessed daily for changes in their health status. The remainder of our population will stay on quarantine pending future test results. As of November 19, 2021, we have 59 individuals who have reached the recovered phase and have been moved out of medical isolation and continue to do well. These individuals will now be housed on Cascade Unit and do not pose a threat to the health and wellbeing of the incarcerated population that have consistently tested negative in Cascade Unit throughout this outbreak. We are happy to report that our positive numbers continue to decline with each round of testing, with only 7 positive PCR tests which were performed on 11/15/2021. Changes in test results and housing status will be communicated to you.

These steps are meant to minimize the impacts that our response will have on our incarcerated population at CCCC. As we move forward, you can expect to see a cohort (limited group) standard for dayrooms, outside recreation, dining, and shower/bathroom areas. Serial testing will continue for the incarcerated population. Staff will continue to ensure your awareness of, and compliance with, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) protocols, cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfecting your living areas, and social distancing. It is our hope in taking these measures that we can cut down on the number of potential exposures and reduce the amount of time it will take to get back to a new normal with our operations. I trust that each of you will be committed to following these standards so that we can move past these restrictions as quickly as possible.

The more difficult part of this process is that some of you may be moved to alternate living areas both within the facility and potentially at another facility pending resolution of this outbreak. We will do our best to communicate these moves with you in advance, but may have to move more quickly as test results and events evolve.

By working together, I know that we can stop the spread. Thank you all for your cooperation and patience during this difficult time.

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