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TO: All CCCC Staff
All CCCC Incarcerated Individuals

FROM: Tim Thrasher, Superintendent 

SUBJECT: CCCC Facility Wide Outbreak

Beginning January 19, 2022, CCCC in its entirety was put on Facility Wide Outbreak – Restricted Movement Status – due to COVID-19. This status continues, although we may be on a positive trajectory. This change has impacted the incarcerated population’s ability to attend regularly scheduled programs, call-outs, work assignments and services.

Cedar Creek Corrections Center (CCCC) has had 88 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the incarcerated population in the last 30 days. There are currently 39 individuals on medical isolation, with several more coming off medical isolation on Friday, February 4, 2022. Rapid Antigen Testing (RAT) was done on Monday January 31, 2022 in both quarantined units (Cascade and Olympic) with ZERO positive tests. Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) tests are being performed Wednesday, February 2, 2022.

I want to alleviate concerns that have been brought to our attention by reiterating that **we do not move individuals out of medical isolation until they meet Center for Disease Control (CDC)/Department of Corrections (DOC) criteria for being recovered from their COVID-19 infection and are no longer considered infectious.** These individuals do not pose a threat of spreading COVID-19 to other individuals and in most cases have been moved back into their original housing areas.

Positive cases have been found in both Cascade and Olympic Units. As a result of the COVID-19 positive cases, CCCC continues to test the entire population regularly. Following the [Prisons Division Cluster and Outbreak Checklist](#), due to the positive COVID-19 tests we will continue to remain on Facility Wide Outbreak status at this time. N-95 Masks are available upon request in each housing unit and it is recommended that you consider using them in place of cloth or surgical masks.

These steps are meant to minimize the short and long-term impacts that our response will have on our incarcerated population at CCCC. As we continue to progress through this situation you can expect to continue to see cohorting in the dayrooms and shower/bathroom areas, serial testing of our incarcerated population, and an increased awareness to personal protective equipment (PPE) protocols, cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfecting, and social distancing. It is our hope by taking these measures that we can cut down on the amount of

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potential exposures and reduce the amount of time it will take to get back to a new normal with our operations. After the facility is cleared from Facility Wide Outbreak Status, we will be offering a vaccination clinic and an incentive bag will be given to anyone that receives the vaccination.

I continue to ask each and every one of you to be committed to following masking and sanitation standards so we can move past these restrictions as projected. Thank you for cooperating and working with staff during this difficult time. We appreciate it very much.