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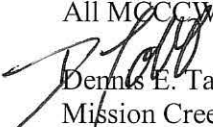
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TO: All MCCCW Staff
All MCCCW Incarcerated Individuals

FROM:  Dennis E. Tabb, Incident Commander
Mission Creek Corrections Center for Women

SUBJECT: Facility Wide Outbreak Resolution

On December 27, 2021, Mission Creek Corrections Center for Women (MCCCW) was placed on Facility Wide Outbreak status following three (3) positive COVID-19 cases within the incarcerated population. Positive tests continued in the weeks to follow, requiring continued Facility Wide Outbreak designation.

The facility has followed the required [COVID-19 testing protocols/guidelines](#) and [Prisons Division Cluster & Outbreak Checklist](#), and today received authorization from DOC medical to remove MCCCW from Facility Wide Outbreak status.

The facility will continue on Facility Wide Cluster status until approved to move to normal COVID-19 operations. Gold and Mission Units are on limited movement. Bear Unit and Visit Area remain on quarantine at this time. All services, programs and visitation have been suspended until further notice.

N-95 masks were distributed throughout the facility for those who want to wear them in lieu of surgical masks. These steps are meant to minimize the impacts that our response will have on our incarcerated population at MCCCW. 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.

We will continue to take the necessary precautions to keep everyone safe and follow all [Centers for Disease Control guidelines](#) and the [WA State DOC COVID-19 Screening, Testing, and Infection Control Guidelines](#). This includes but is not limited to proper hand washing, practicing six (6) foot social distancing rule, wearing surgical masks at all times, keeping the facility clean and sanitized, and allowing residents to acquire the COVID-19 vaccine booster if they are eligible in conjunction with established medical timelines.

We understand this has been a difficult and challenging time for residents and staff alike. We truly appreciate everyone's patience, understanding and respectful interactions as we navigated through this outbreak.

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