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TO: All CCCC Staff
All CCCC Incarcerated Individuals

FROM: Tim Thrasher, Superintendent 
Cedar Creek Corrections Center

SUBJECT: Facility Wide Outbreak Partial Resolution

On January 19, 2022, CCCC in its entirety was placed on Facility Wide Outbreak – Restricted Movement Status due to COVID-19. A Facility Wide Outbreak is defined as two or more Limited Area Outbreaks that are connected, occurring simultaneously in the same facility. As you are aware this designation has impacted the population’s ability to attend regularly scheduled work assignments, scheduled programming, call-outs and other services. Your cooperation during this outbreak has not gone unnoticed and is appreciated.

The facility has followed the required [COVID-19 testing protocols/guidelines](#) and [Prisons Division Cluster & Outbreak Checklist](#), and today received authorization from Headquarters DOC medical to remove Cascade Unit’s outbreak status. Effective today, February 17, 2022 at 08:00 AM, Cascade Unit will no longer be on quarantine. The decision to remove Cascade’s quarantine status was based upon the negative Rapid Antigen Tests (RAT) results for all individuals within the unit today with the last positive test occurring more than 14 days ago. We will be working to return individuals in Cascade to work and other programming as quickly as possible.

Due to the positive tests results that have occurred within Olympic Unit within the last 14 days, Olympic Unit will continue to be designated as a Limited Area Outbreak and remain on quarantine status at least for a couple of more days. On a positive note, RAT tests were also conducted in Olympic Unit today with negative results. We are hopeful that Olympic Unit may possibly be able to be removed from quarantine status sometime this weekend if the pattern of negative results holds.

There are currently four (4) individuals housed in Alpine unit which will be returned to their previous housing assignment once they have recovered. As noted in the past, individuals identified as COVID-19 recovered are no longer contagious.

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 CCCC. 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 continuation of this outbreak and the possibility of a new outbreak in the future.

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. A vaccine and booster clinic will be scheduled in the upcoming weeks for individuals that may be interested.

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 navigate through this situation.

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