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TO: All CCCC Staff
All CCCC Incarcerated Individuals

FROM: Tim Thrasher, Superintendent
Cedar Creek Corrections Center

SUBJECT: Facility Wide Outbreak Resolution

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. Thank you for your cooperation during this outbreak. It 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 on February 22, 2022, Cedar Creek Correction Center received authorization from Headquarters DOC Medical to be removed from outbreak status. All remaining incarcerated individual on Olympic Unit were tested for COVID-19 Saturday, February 19, 2022, and the result was zero positive test results. On February 22, 2022, at the end of business hours, the facility in its entirety resumed normal operations.

N-95 masks have been 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 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. You will also continue to see cohorting by groups for certain job classes and programming and recreation. Please remember while you are inside or outside of the perimeter all of the strategies outlined above still need to be followed.

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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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