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TO: AHCC All Staff

FROM: James Key, Superintendent

SUBJECT: AHCC COVID-19 Weekly Update

On January 19, 2022, Airway Heights Corrections Center (AHCC) was placed on Facility Wide Outbreak status and began testing the entire population. AHCC has had 753 confirmed new positive cases in the incarcerated population in the last 30 days.

We continue to follow the [Prisons Division Cluster and Outbreak Checklist](#) and remain in restricted movement at this time. Please see operational area updates below.

Operations:

Bottled water is only allowed to be distributed to the following locations K Unit and L Unit, due to dry cells and single cell cohort schedule. N Unit A side and the RCF for individuals on medical isolation status. All other areas have free access to water without restrictions.

As of February 24, 2022, the facility living units have been identified as the following:

Main:

- **K Unit-Quarantine/Recovered**-Single Cell Cohort for Showers-Portable Phones-Jpay tablet syncing-Video Visits Authorized
- **L Unit- Quarantine/Recovered**-Single Cell Cohort for Showers-Portable Phones-Jpay tablet syncing-Video Visits Authorized
- **M Unit- Recovered**- No longer on limited Dayroom access per upper and lower tiers. No restrictions for dayroom use but must continue to follow standard COVID-19 protocols in place for social distancing, mask wearing and sanitation/cleaning.
- **N Unit-Isolation/Quarantine/Recovered**-Single Cell Cohort for Showers-Portable Phones-Jpay tablet syncing-Video Visits Authorized
- **R Unit A Wing-Isolation/Recovered**-Dayroom access, (showers, Jpay tablet syncing, phones)
Upper tier individuals have 45 minutes-out of cell, then 15 minutes for cleaning and sanitization of dayroom.
Lower tier individuals have 45 minutes-out of cell, then 15 minutes for cleaning and sanitization of dayroom. (This is for staff safety to mitigate potential close contacts)
Video Visits Authorized
- **R Unit B Wing-Quarantine/Recovered**- Single Cell Cohort for Showers-Portable Phones-Jpay tablet syncing-Video Visits Authorized
- **T Unit-Quarantine/Recovered**-Single Cell Cohort for Showers-Portable Phones-Jpay

tablet syncing-Video Visits Authorized

- **RCF-Isolation Only**-Hard Line phones-**No access to Video Visits at this time**
- **E-building Recreation (Gym) Northside-Quarantine\Isolation Cleared**-Hard Line phones-Showers -**No access to Video Visits at this time**
- **E-building Recreation (Gym) Southside** – No longer housing incarcerated individuals and staff will have access to offices beginning February 25, 2022.

MSU:

- **C4 Unit - Quarantine/Recovered** -Single Tier Cohort-Hard Line Phones-Showers and Jpay table syncing-Video Visits Authorized
- **C5 Unit- Quarantine/Recovered** -Single Tier Cohort-Hard Line Phones-Showers and Jpay table syncing-Video Visits Authorized
- **C6 (Gym)** – This alternate housing area for medical isolation was closed on February 17, 2022, due to the drop in positive cases and increase in recovered individuals.

It is imperative that everyone continue to wear a surgical mask or appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE). Similarly, it is vital that we continue to follow the [Centers for Disease Control \(CDC\) guidelines](#): ensuring to follow the six (6) foot physical distancing rule, washing your hands, and keeping high-touch areas of the facility sanitized.