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TO: All Prisons Staff
All Incarcerated Individuals
All Interested Parties

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SUBJECT: DOC increases visitation capacity and resumes Extended Family Visits

We are excited to share that Extended Family Visit's (EFV) can resume, with a number of supports. Also, we are very pleased to announce that facilities are now able to expand visitor capacity. Effective April 15, 2022, each incarcerated individual will be allowed to have five approved visitors at a time, rather than the previously allowed three.

Additionally, effective April 1, 2022, approved visitors may resume scheduling Extended Family Visit's (EFV) for the start date of April 15, 2022. We are happy to announce that the program fee for EFVs has been reduced to \$5 from \$15 but will need to be paid from the individual's institution account in accordance with RCW 72.09.470. You may review this requirement at the following link for more information:

<https://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=72.09.470>.

For regular visiting, we have extended the Free Photo program through the month of April. This will allow families and their loved ones to receive photos at their tables ensuring masks are still on for safety as we continue to operate under pandemic protocols.

It is important to note that locations on facility-wide outbreak status and/or individual units on limited area outbreak status will not be able to participate in visitation. Please check the [visiting webpage](#) for information on scheduling visits, COVID-19 visit rules and more.

Thank you for your continued patience during these challenging times.