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TO: All Staff & All Incarcerated Individuals
Washington Corrections Center for Women

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SUBJECT: SUSPENSION OF VISITATION - REVISED

The [WA State DOC COVID-19 Screening, Testing, and Infection Control Guidelines](#) provide the protocol for managing COVID-19 outbreaks in DOC facilities. Per these guidelines, an:

- An outbreak is defined as a group of confirmed cases of COVID-19 that includes at least one incarcerated individual.
 - **Limited Area Outbreak:** Two or more confirmed cases of COVID-19 in incarcerated individuals occurring within 14 days who reside in the same living area OR
 - One or more confirmed cases of COVID-19 in an incarcerated individual AND one or more confirmed cases of COVID-19 in staff or volunteers working in proximity to the incarcerated individual case/cases occurring within 14 days.

Due to the J-Unit, K-Unit and MSU going on Limited Area Outbreak (LAO) status May 7, 2022, **no incarcerated individuals will be able to participate in visitation at this time.** This situation will continue to be monitored. As we move forward and are removed from the LAO, we will reassess and hope to reinstate participation in visitation as soon as possible.

Also of note, those in Intake Separation, Quarantine, and/or Isolation Status will be prohibited from participating in visitation as well. We will continue to communicate with you as we progress through this pandemic.

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