

Local Family Council COVID-19 Informational Call Notes

Call Details

Facility: Coyote Ridge Corrections Center

Date and Time: 9/23/2021 at 0900

Attendees

- **Local Family Council Members**

- **DOC Staff:**

Kate Jansen, Administrative Assistant

Melissa Andrewjeski, Superintendent

Monica Ritter, Engagement and Outreach

Ken Jennings, Health Services Manager

Andrew Sawyer, Associate Superintendent

- **OMBUDS**

Caitlyn Robertson, OCO

- **Please note:**

- Questions for upcoming meetings are to be emailed to Kate Jansen at catherine.jansen@doc1.wa.gov no later than 8:00 am Wednesday. It is important that we received questions in advance to provide us time to research the answer. Not receiving questions may create a delay in a response.
 - All questions received afterwards will be held over to the next week or if time allows asked during the end of the conference call.
 - All questions sent to our staff before the informational sharing phone call during the week, will be answered on the Friday phone calls or forwarded onto DOCCOVID19@DOC.WA.GOV for appropriate response.

- **Additional guidelines:**

- Meeting time will be one (1) hour.
- We will answer all the questions first and open for questions/comments afterwards.
- If any questions are left unanswered at the end of the meeting, we will add them to the next meeting.
- Please ensure your phones are on mute.
- Please provide your name before asking a question or responding.

- **Please do not share COVID-19 informational call phone-In Information with others, especially via social media.**

- If you, or you know someone that has a loved one at CRCC and would like to be added to the LFC list to receive call in information, meeting minutes and other correspondence the facility may send out please send an email to catherine.jansen@doc1.wa.gov.

Weekly Update

Testing

Incarcerated Individuals: 440 (22 in the last 30 days)

In hospital: 0

Isolation: 1

Quarantine: Sage East

Total Vaccinations given at CRCC (Staff and Individuals): 2,943

If you would like to know all the updated numbers of those vaccinated, please visit

<https://doc.wa.gov/corrections/covid-19/data-vaccines.htm>.

MSU Unit Operations:

All MSU units are running under normal cohort operations. Sage East is currently under quarantine status. Sage East is a protected area and is being monitored very closely at this time.

MSC Unit Operations

The MSC living units continue to operate with the identified cohorts and schedule. We have eliminated the upper and lower dayroom rotation for the MI3 units. However, there is still a maximum of 64 people in the dayroom at one time, and only two individuals to a table. Social distancing and surgical masks are a must. H Unit is on an outbreak cluster due to staff positive cases.

Visitation

Visitation has been resumed. Please visit <https://doc.wa.gov/corrections/incarceration/prisons/crcc.htm> for all the information regarding in-person visits for Coyote Ridge Corrections Center.

Questions

Question

Do we have any idea when cohorts will be changing?

Answer:

With the staff positives we are continuing to look at keeping those cohorts small. Preventing the spread of the virus is our main concern, and we want to protect those that live and work here.

Question

The tone of the staff can have affects on the individuals. The way that the staff approach these regulations with the individuals is important.

Answer:

I agree. I haven't heard of staff dealing with individuals in a disrespectful manner, not to say that it doesn't happen, but that majority of the staff that I have observe don't interact with the individuals that way.

Question

We should have conversations regarding Mental Health and the families working together with the facility. This could have a major impact on the way that our loved one's understand what is happening.

Answer:

I agree. I would be more than happy to have that conversation.

Question:

Perhaps discussing with the Department of Health would be something that could be added to the LFC Meeting Agenda? Also, some discussion about contact lenses?

Answer:

That is a good suggestion. I know that Visitation and EFV was also a suggestion for the meeting as well. A Meeting Agenda will hopefully be sent out later this afternoon or early tomorrow.

- Thank you for joining us. Next week's call will be Thursday September 30, 2021 @0900.