

Local Family Council COVID-19 Informational Call Notes

Call Details

Facility: Coyote Ridge Corrections Center

Date and Time: 4/7/2022, 9:00 AM

Attendees

- Jeremy Turner (Associate Superintendent), Melissa Andrewjeski (Superintendent) , William Copeland (Family Services), Alexandra Stevenson (AA3) Monica Ritter (HQ Engagement/Outreach), Caitlin Robertson (OCO), Harj Aulakh (HQ Engagement/Outreach)
- Linda Dawson, Loren Taylor, Allyson Alexander, Lisa Rogers, Mary Mansour, Gwen McIlveen, Laura Baehner, Kristen Hunt, Sandi Tewes, Kazuko Fowler, Kristen Hoover, Araceli Delagarza

Weekly Update

- Testing of the quarantine areas this week were all good. As of 4/8/22 we have cleared all isolation individuals and currently the only units effected by covid are those on quarantine in B-unit A-pod and E-unit B-pod. If we get good test results next week out of B-unit A-pod and E-unit B-pod, we should be able to clear them of quarantine status and have no units on restrictions.

Pre-Submitted Questions

No questions submitted.

Additional Questions

Question 1

Why does each individual not get their results?

Answer

For HIPPA reasons, other staff are not supposed to know their results. Medical may be a little behind due to the number of tests that are being done. A copy should be provided to the individuals as well as in the medical file of each individual. I will talk to the medical staff to see where they are at.

Question 2

If everything goes as you expect, then CRCC should be on EFV track? If we are not on outbreak status EFVs should start? Who oversees the scheduling of EFV and what is allowed?

Answer

On 4/8/22, HQ posted a memo EFV's will return on 4/15, scheduling can begin now. Scheduling is done by the incarcerated individual with the visitation staff. The rate for EFV has changed from \$15 to \$5 and must be paid by the incarcerated individual. I will get more information on what is allowed.

Question 3

Is there a plan to open the vending machines in visitation?

Answer

Last I saw, that has not changed.

Question 4

If someone gets in trouble for a JPAY situation, do they take their tablet away?

Answer

With the sanction option, they can. However, we try and avoid this as much as possible. There was a specific situation in which an individual has traded their tablet off and it was confiscated.

Question 5

Have you started to allow C unit to start making calls after the late hour?

Answer

Captain Long just got back and it is something that will be discussed. I will also talk to the staff in C unit to see how things are going. It could come back as early as next week.

Question 6

How often are the units tested to know if they are on quarantine? If they got the results back next week, would they be able to go back to normal next week?

Answer

Per the protocol we follow, they are tested every 6-7 days. We did the test on Tuesday and should be tested again next Tuesday. We are hoping by next week if everything goes well, they can go back to next week. We may not schedule visitation for the next weekend, we would not schedule that weekend.

Question 7

Now that they are planning for a 4th booster, are there any plans for that?

Answer

Medical is working with outside medical teams to offer booster clinics for the incarcerated population.

Question 8

Any updates on Incentives for staff to give positive BOEs?

Answer

We strive to give one positive BOE per ever 4 negative ones. We are working on getting staff to use BOEs more as a tool to recognize different individuals for their behavior. We can run a report to see what the numbers are for our facility.

Question 9

The kiosk in I unit is not working for video visits. If something like this happens, do the individuals need to send a kite?

Answer

Generally, when staff are notified, a help ticket is submitted to get the machine fixed. I was told it is working now.

Comments/Closing

- Thank you to all the staff who helped save the individual in education. I have heard the staff in education went above and beyond to help that individual.
- We are happy about the test results coming in and are excited to get back to normal operations. We appreciate your support as things continue to get better.
- Please submit any questions to Alexandra Stevenson (arstevenson@doc1.wa.gov). The next COVID Call will be on 4/14/2022 at 9:00 AM.