

**MCC Local Family Council**  
**COVID 19 Teleconference Notes**

**May 29, 2020**

**Family Members deemed present by sending email:** Lynn Barker, David Bullard, Jody Bullard, Byron Coates, Felix D’Allesandro, Dianne Durall, Angela Hinton, Josephine Johnson, Rob Tarver, Joanne Todd, Carol Welch, Danielle White, Wendy Wilhelm.

**Participants:** Ina McNeese, Kathleen Bechler, John Padilla, Mike Obenland, Kari Styles, Melida Ferrell, Kaela Cong, Mark Miller, Lisa Anderson, Bill Frantz, Joanna Carns, LaQuesha Turner and Amanda DeLay.

**MCC Quarantine & Isolation**

<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>ISOLATION</b>	<b>QUARANTINE</b>	<b>Population</b>
<b>SOU Core Inf.</b>	-	-	-
<b>IMU K-Pod</b>	-	-	-
<b>IMU M-Pod</b>	-	1	-
<b>IMU L-Pod</b>	3	-	-
<b>IMU H-Pod</b>	-	3	-
<b>MCC Hosp. Watch</b>	-	-	5
<b>WSRU A-Unit</b>	-	-	-
<b>WSRU IPU</b>	-	-	-
<b>TRU C Unit</b>	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	

**Isolation Unit/Telephone Access**

Phone calls for those on isolation will be available on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. The duration of the phone call will be 30 minutes at time. Staff will alternate the time for the phone usage for the assigned days, so you have an opportunity to reach your family during the morning or afternoon time. Isolation pods are in possession of two rolling phones that will be taken by staff at the individual’s cell front.

**WSRU Recreation:**

There was a suggestion about changing the recreation schedule. In talking with the population we have found that the large majority of our population, as well as our tier reps, are very happy with the recreation schedule.

**Mail:**

There was a question about what happens to rejected mail. When mail is rejected, a notice is sent to the individual and it is held for 30 days pending appeal. If no appeal has been received, the items are destroyed.

**Wearing of Masks:**

All staff and individuals are required to wear masks while at work, particularly indoors. Posters regarding proper wear are widely distributed. Although I haven’t been informed of anyone being fired for not wearing a mask at their jobsite, it would stand to reason that this would be addressed as a performance issue.

### **Cell moves:**

As a follow up to single man housing, cell moves are determined by the Unit CUS and Unit Sergeant. There are 18 steps in determining their needs. Single cells are not always available.

### **JPay:**

Currently we don't have answers to the JPay questions. These concerns are being looked in at Headquarters. They may be looking vendor options. We continue to work out the bumps.

A Memo that was sent to JPay by Secretary Sinclair was sent to the Statewide Family Council. The Statewide Family Council Representative will forward it to the Local Family Council.

### **EFV's:**

We have a teleconference to talk about the reopening of EFV's. Right now we do not have any answers as to when the EFV's will restart.

We will have to look into whether unused charcoal could be donated to other families for use in EFV's and if people can bring their own coolers.

People who have suggestions on starting up visits should email Captain McNeese or Kathleen Bechler.

### **Refunds:**

TV Rental money will not be refunded but we did stop collecting for TV Rentals. There was a refund for those who paid for weight deck.

### **Local Family Council Meetings:**

At this time we do not know when the Local Family Council Meetings will restart. This may not be determined by the Governor's reopening directives, but as determined by Headquarters.

### **Incentives**

The incentive programs have slowed due to COVID 19. We hope to get the Incentive Committee back up and running after the crisis is over.

During the COVID 19 Crisis, MCC will have weekly teleconferences on Fridays at 1 pm.