

Local Family Council COVID-19 Informational Call Notes

Call Details

Facility: WCC

Date and Time: 8/27/2020, 1300

Attendees

Dan White – Superintendent
Dean Mason- Associate Superintendent
Justin Schlagel- Correctional Program Manager-Facilitator
Penny Marquart- AA3 to Associate Mason –Recorder
Mike Eby – Community Correctional Specialist
Norm Goodenough- Health Services Manager
Paige Perkinson – Program Specialist
Portia Linear – WCC Representative for Statewide Family Council
Kaishanna Sounders – WCC LFC Secretary.
Candace Krueger
Jacki Racus
Amy Grubaugh
Wendy Schindler
Emijah Smith
Kayla Shepard

Weekly Update

3 Isolation, 28 in Quarantine, 51 Floor Sleepers.

Superintendent, Dan White – Monday, we activated the RCF. We received one person that was transferred in.

The staff is fully trained and it is going as designed.

Concerning the disturbance in Reception; Mitigation -Crisis Negation team, were here for six days, and provided some good feedback.

We acquired a large number of books and they will be distributed.

We have ebb and flow on floor sleepers. We have 250 scheduled to depart and 85 coming in.

CPM, Justin Schlagel- we received a new shipment of face coverings and they will be distributed in the couple of days.

Pre-Submitted Questions

Krueger: It has been brought to my attention, that the Care Center is now being used although the windows are still open, increasing the spread to COVID. It was brought up in a previous Tier Rep meeting, in which we were told these windows would be closed when the facility was being used.

Answer 1: Engagement and Outreach Director, Jeremy Barclay – While we clinically know that the open windows do not increase the spread of COVID-19 and could speak to that aspect to the inquiry.

Answer 2: Superintendent, Dan White – We have no concerns with the windows being open. We are putting up a 10 to 15 foot barrier/vinyl fencing. No one should be walking by.

Krueger: On the 25th, some of the guys observed nurses coming out of the front of the facility to talk with officers. No PPE was being used, putting other at risk. Can you look into this ASAP; for the safety of our loved ones as well as your staff?

Answer: Superintendent, Dan White- We take this very seriously. We will look into this and we will address it.

Question 1

Krueger: Follow-up question- So, the windows are not going to be closed?

Answer: Superintendent, Dan White- What we have learned about airflow; windows on the sides of the building, keep the air moving and fresh air to enter. The barrier that is going up, will keep people far away, keeping them safe.

Question 2

Racus: With Fall/Winter coming, it will get dark sooner, and in dealing with COVID, are there any plans to place lights in the Big Yard? You did place lights in the small yard.

Answer: Superintendent, Dan White –We did place some LEDs in the small yard. Placing lights in the Big Yard, is really expensive to do.

Question 3

Racus: Follow-up question- Would it be possible to bring in lights that run on fuel?

Answer: Superintendent, Dan White – We could look into that.

No further questions.

Comments/Closing

Superintendent, Dan White - Let's be respectful of one another and mindful of how we word things. We are doing well at the facility. It has been 6 months and we are doing a good job at keeping our Facility, your loved ones and staff safe.

Still looking for a Co-Chair.

Next LFC COVID update Teleconference is September 3rd. Next LFC Teleconference meeting is tentatively set for October 22nd. Please send any pre-submitted questions and agenda items to Penny Marquart.