

Local Family Council COVID-19 Informational Call Notes

Call Details

Facility: WCC Shelton

Date and Time: 03-18-2021 1pm

Attendees

Domenica Campbell – Early Resolution Ombuds OCO

Paige Perkinson – Program Specialist

Norm Goodenough – Health Services Manager

Dana Lundberg – Correctional Unit Supervisor – R6

Mike Eby – Community Correctional Specialist

Dana Lundberg – CUS R6

Jennifer Allmendinger – AA3 to CPM's

Jacki Racus

Jasmine Bernardez

Geneva Hawkins

Holli Johnson

Candace Krueger

Amy Miller

Wendy Schindler

Helen Russell

Weekly Update at the time of the call.

- 976 Total Cases to date
- 5 New Positive Cases

CPM Schlager opens

Overall, the situation is getting better. We are rolling things out slowly. We are listening to what medical and HQ say on what we can and can't do.

Pre-Submitted Questions

1. Why can't the recreation staff pickup and deliver hobby materials to the units? Offenders have been told they can bring stuff to the gym, although some are working during this time.
Answer: Justin Schlager – CPM
Gyms and recreation yards are open. Recreation staff are very busy. There is a schedule. Recreation time is in the evenings for TC Units as most of the I/I's work during the day. For those who work evenings, they can contact their counselor or recreation staff for assistance with hobby crafts.
2. Any new information on visiting, since the meeting on the 16th? Are EFV packets being processed and if so, are they being forwarded to WCC?
Answer: Justin Schlager – CPM
Have not heard any information. Once a decision is made, we would get notice of what was said, and an announcement would be on the Doc website.
3. Again, is there a way to get another JPay kiosk in Evergreen. Per contract between JPay and DOC, one kiosk per so many inmates. All the guys in Evergreen should have the same access to the kiosks like the guys in Cedar for example.

Answer: Justin Schlagel – CPM

Every week we get this question. It is the physical plant of Evergreen that does not support another kiosk. There are less individuals in Evergreen and they are not here for as long as a duration as Cedar for another kiosk to be installed. Since the gyms are open, they are also using the kiosks there.

4. When will our loved ones be able to go to yard more and be able to go in the foyer more often like they use to?

Answer: Justin Schlagel – CPM

We are working on more yard time by allowing more than one cohort in the yard at a time. Due to yards being outside and the area being larger, the risk is considered to be lower. We don't want to open back up too fast and have another outbreak. Currently 1 pod (cohort) in foyer at a time.

Additional Questions

1. I/I's feel they have not been given enough time for exercise. They are told Health Services is going to limit store because of weight gain. Recreation starts when they get off work and there is no time to change clothes and then go to recreation.

Answer: Justin Schlagel – CPM

Will find out about limited store.

2. You talked about more yard, but what does that look like?

Answer: Justin Schlage – CPM

Currently 1 pod at a time goes out to recreation, gym and yard. We are looking into 2 pods at a time going to yard. The area is big enough. We are trying to find the final times. It will remain one pod for gyms.

3. Vaccines? Some have had it. How many? When will more be vaccinated?

Answer: Norm Goodenough – Health Services Manager

120 I/I have been vaccinated who are high risk.

I don't have exact number for the state.

The goal is that it will happen in the near future. With the Executive Order that President Biden just signed we expect more to be vaccinated, but the question is when will the supply come in.

Comments/Closing:

The CI sponsored fundraiser is getting a lot of response. A lot have signed up.

We are looking to safely open up more areas. It is a fine balance.

Each week we get questions on EFV's and the kiosk. These are HQ decisions. We currently do not have a Statewide representative, Secretary or Co-Chair. I would like to encourage anyone to take up the challenge. You can take your questions directly to the Statewide meeting. We would like to have someone to fill these positions. Please, if you are interested or would like to nominate someone, please let me know.

The next LFC teleconference meeting will be March 25th.
