

# Local Family Council COVID-19 Informational Call Notes

## Call Details

**Facility:** WA Corrections Center for Women

**Date and Time:** 7/15/2020, 12:00PM

## Attendees

- Jason Rice, Janet Moriarty, Renee Hafzalla, Cindy Robinson, Susan Sherman
- Jo Wofford, Melissa Johnson, Bill Swain, Vaaia Gaines, Ryan Rieck, Paul Clark, Caroline Melhuish,

## Weekly Update

### DATA:

- Current facility numbers, including pregnant women and babies? 757 with 8 pregnant 1 babies.
- Are any of these women in units that are quarantined or locked down? No.
- How many are federal prisoners? 0
- Numbers in isolation/quarantine? 3 ISO – 0 in quarantine
- Which units have women in quarantine? None

## Pre-Submitted Questions

### Question 1

Any updates on medical issues in the facility - COVID related or otherwise? Any changes in medical/mental health delivery?

#### Answer

Dental is continuing to see urgent and emergent cases. Medical and Mental health services are both actively seeing patients via tele, offsite and onsite services. New intake screening practices and testing are being put into place to further prevent COVID 19 entering the facility.

### Question 2

Can you explain the process for the use of the RCF? How many beds etc.?

#### Answer

If an incarcerated individual tests positive for COVID, they will be placed in the RCF. Their diagnosis is what determines their placement. The RCF has 16 beds. The RCF will not be used for isolation/quarantine rather than TEC or SEG.

### Question 3

Can you update us on the GIPA Work?

#### Answer

This is still on hold until further notice.

### Question 4

We are very thankful that the WCCW women have been able to make light-weight masks for the women at Mission Creek. Can you give us an update on this? Have they been sent to Mission Creek?

#### Answer

- We have sent 2 mask deliveries to MCCCW with a total of over 650.
- The 1<sup>st</sup> run was 300
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> run was 300

- The 3<sup>rd</sup> run was 50
- The board count at MCCCW was 199 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> run
- They have been given enough for each inmate to be issued 3.
- We still have not received supplies from MCCCW to build summer masks.
- When we receive the material, we will manufacture them.

#### Question 5

Please can you give us an update on the phased-reopening as stated by Secretary Sinclair

Answer

We are still in phase 1 and developing plans. You can find information about “safe start” corrections at <http://www.doc.wa.gov/corrections/covid-19/safestart.htm>

#### Question 6

At our last call you indicated you were working on coverage for programming. Do you have an update?

Answer

Education classes are taking place. We have no other updates.

#### Question 7

Strip Searches, considering the alternatives that exist at WCCW, why are strip searches still being used?

Answer

#### Question 8

We need your help. When we express concerns regarding quality of video visits and kiosks to Jpay they tell us it’s a facility issue (equipment and bandwidth). When we ask you about it you tell us it’s a Jpay issue. We feel stuck in the middle and need help resolving this issue.

Answer

### Comments/Closing