

Jeff Zmuda, Secretary

Laura Kelly, Governor

To: Family Members
From: Jeff Zmuda, Secretary
Date: April 30, 2020
Re: Coronavirus Updates

Yesterday we announced a second death at Lansing Correctional Facility. We are saddened by this news, but it will serve as even more motivation to ensure that we are doing everything we can to keep these men, women and children safe.

To that efforts, today we announced that we would be testing all residents at Lansing Correctional Facility for COVID-19. This is our latest efforts to combat the virus in the prison setting. Due to the shortage of testing supplies, we were previously unable to do this. Earlier this week, we began with testing all of the men in the Primewood, open-dormitory living unit. Of the 240 tests that were administered, approximately 75% of the tests came back as asymptomatic positive cases. This affirms for us how widespread the virus is within LCF. With no known treatment for COVID-19, we will increase our monitoring efforts of the ill and monitor the asymptomatic for developing symptoms. As more testing supplies become available, we will explore the possibility of testing other facilities.

Here is the most current information regarding positive COVID-19 cases, those quarantined and those who have returned to work and general population. These numbers reflect totals accumulated over time.

Staff

- 79 LCF staff positive
- 3 TCF staff positive
- 1 KJCC staff positive
- 62 staff in isolation (at home) and being monitored for symptoms
- 20 staff have recovered and returned to work

Resident Isolation (those who have tested positive for COVID-19)

- 88 LCF residents positive
- 3 WWRF residents positive
- 2 TCF residents positive
- 40 residents positive in isolation and being monitored
 - 3 of the 40 residents are in the hospital being monitored
- 48 residents have recovered and returned to general population
- 2 LCF resident death

Resident Quarantine (those who have been in contact with a positive case, but have no symptoms)

- 118 residents in quarantine and being monitored for symptoms
- 41 residents cleared quarantine and returned to general population

There is a lot going on in our organization right now and will continue to be in the days ahead. We will work to continue to update you as quickly as we can. Some days these updates are not finished until the end of the work day and you do not receive them until the next morning from JPay. You can always check our website to see the most recent daily message here:

<https://www.doc.ks.gov/kdoc-coronavirus-updates/family-and-resident-communication>.