

Jeff Zmuda, Secretary

Laura Kelly, Governor

To: Juvenile and Adult Facility Residents and Family Members

From: Jeff Zmuda, Secretary

Date: July 1, 2020

Re: Coronavirus Updates

Last Friday we shared some of the changes that will take place once in-person visitation resumes. I understand that some of this information may have been surprising to some. In the coming weeks, we will likely share more changes with you. Some you may agree with, others you may not. Please know that these changes are necessary to ensure the safety of all. Without these changes, we would not be able to resume in-person visitation.

One of the biggest details you all are interested in is a set date for this service to resume. As we stated last week, we do not have a date to share with you at this time. With the rise in cases nationally, and within our own state, we need to and will proceed with extreme caution. We fully intend to resume in-person visitation, but it is possible that state and local COVID-19 cases will not improve, and we will need to continue to suspend this service.

The Governor announced earlier this week that she would be issuing an executive order requiring the use of masks in public spaces and outdoors where social distancing is not possible. We will review the order and issue new information to our staff and residents should we need to implement any changes. As a reminder, all staff and residents have been issued three cloth masks and are currently encouraged to wear them when social distancing is not possible. Prior to the Governor's announcement this week, the use of masks at all times was not something that the Kansas Department of Health and Environment encouraged us to do. Some of our facilities with active cases have gone a step further and required the use of masks among staff. Again, we will share any new information on this front later this week when we receive it.

Below is the most up-to-date information on the total number of positive cases we have had since the beginning of the pandemic:

Staff

- 96 LCF staff positive
 - 2 LCF staff deaths
- 8 TCF staff positive
- 1 KJCC staff positive
- 1 NCF staff positive (reassigned to LCF)
- 1 EDCF staff positive
- 2 ECF staff positive

- 9 WWRF staff positive
- 2 WCF staff (reassigned to LCF)
- 112 staff have recovered and returned to work

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

- 850 LCF residents positive (837 recovered)
 - 4 LCF resident deaths
- 58 WWRF residents positive (58 recovered)
- 2 TCF residents positive (both have recovered)