



TO: ALL CONCERNED

DATE: March 25th, 2021

RE: Town Hall Q & A

The Town Hall this week was conducted by Deputy Jones in the absence of Superintendent Clark.

Questions/concerns from inmate requests:

1. Nicotine patches.

Zyn is now being sold in Commissary. They go into your lip like the old pouch tobacco does and they are pure nicotine

2. Demobilization.

Currently Central Office is looking at a Demobilization Plan for when the vaccines come and what things in the institution will look like in the facilities when we begin to open back up. The realization is that we have staff at all our facilities who have never seen a jail at full capacity, running normally. Training is going to need to be done to get staff up-to-speed on how things are supposed to work.

Also, population has been locked down too, on and off quarantines. We cannot tell you exactly what it is going to look like right now, but the plan is to slowly roll out, slowly open up Cohorts.

3. Contact Visits.

We still have not received any information concerning contact visits and what those will look like yet. As soon as we do, we will get that information out to all of you.

4. Will the vaccine be given yearly?

We have not received any information about this and will get it out to population as soon as we know.

5. Separation of vaccinated versus non-vaccinated inmates.

There is no plan to do this at this time nor has this been discussed. I encourage every single one of you to get vaccinated. The quicker we all receive the vaccine, the quicker we can get this virus out of our facility and the better it is going to be for all of us. Our staff are also being encouraged to get vaccinated. This will protect not only ourselves, but others too.

6. Vaccine Cards.

We have received no direction regarding vaccine cards. It will obviously be annotated in your medical record that you have received it.

7. Haircuts

We are still on hold with this and have not received approval from Central Office about when we can start giving haircuts. We will let you know as soon as we can start again.

8. Why are only recovered inmates permitted to work?

Recovered inmates can't get the virus, they are recovered. Also, the likelihood of them spreading the virus is very diminished. The typical way for the virus to be spread is by particles in your spit, with the recovered inmates it would have to be by touch.

For this reason, we will continue to use PPE, use established sanitation methods and practice social distancing. This will greatly diminish the spread of the coronavirus.

9. Using the Chain-of-Command when sending inmate requests

If you are writing your inmate requests directly to Senior Staff and it is something that could be handled at a Housing Unit or Department Head level, we will be going back to the individual who would have handled it first and this will only delay your response. Please use your Chain-of-Command and once it is exhausted then by all means send a request to us.

In closing, currently we are in 8-person Cohorts. We are getting some Yard out, the Library is opened, our waste water is trending in the right direction and things are looking better than they were 2 weeks ago. With that, I caution you all that we are nowhere out of the woods yet. Some of you have probably seen that there are still little pockets of individuals popping up positive and symptomatic.

Please continue to wear your masks, continue to wash your hands and social distance. We **want** to open the institution up more and increase the Cohort sizes. The more we continue to trend in the right direction, the more likely that Central Office will give us the nod to open up more.

I encourage you all to do the right thing. It is much easier to run the institution when we are more open, it is a challenge when the Cohorts are smaller. It is beneficial to both population and the staff, so let's continue to do the right thing.

Thank you.

Deputy Jones

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Deputy Jones', written over the printed name.

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