

## Fireside Chat 4/23/21

Good afternoon and welcome to this week's Fireside Chat. Although there is very little to pass on this week, we do have some important reminders that were discussed previously.

Once again, the vaccine will become effective at 28 days. If you have any symptoms associated with it, please let a Staff member know so the Medical Department can address it. As a reminder from last week's memo and fireside chat, notify Staff or the Medical Department if you are experiencing severe headache, abdominal pain, leg pain, and/or shortness of breath. There will be no medical co-pay charge for services associated with the vaccine and/or COVID.

Even though you may have received the vaccine, it is imperative you continue to wear your mask properly, wash your hands frequently, and practice social distancing when you leave your cell. There is still no change to quarantine protocols regarding parole, max outs, and outside trips.

Cell cleaning supplies are available on your housing units. These supplies can be requested from a Staff member.

With the uptick in soda sales and other concessions, the Activities Department has increased the order to receive more product. Thursday mornings will be used as a delivery day to accommodate the increase in product. The Activities Department will be tasked with organizing and storing the delivery, which will now take more time. Therefore, it is likely concessions will not be offered Thursday mornings. Again, this is so we can accommodate the delivery of the increased order.

There were questions this week concerning the memory of the Swintec typewriter that has been approved for outside purchase. This typewriter does not have any memory.

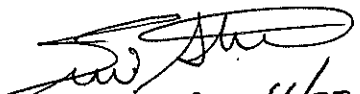
Be advised that GTL has received their shipment of tablets and the commissary number will be turned back on Monday, April 26.

Please utilize our Staff services if you feel they could benefit you. Our Psychology and Chaplaincy Departments are assigned on every housing unit. Treatment Staff continue to facilitate prescribed programming in cell. Counselors are available on your housing unit. In addition, our Certified Peer Specialists have been walking the tiers and are once again providing another valuable resource here at SCI-Huntingdon. All of our institutional services remain operational based on COVID-19 restrictions and protocols.

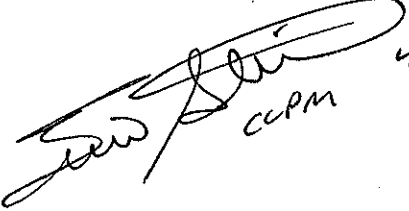
At this time, there are no changes to cohort sizes, institutional services, programs, or out-of-cell activity.

And now, a special word from Treatment Specialist, Mr. Grimme.

Hello, my name is Mr. Grimme. I am a Correction's Counselor and Treatment Specialist here at SCI HUN. I would like to share something with you. This week has been National Crime Victim's

  
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Rights Week. Since 1981, National Crime Victims' Rights Week is celebrated every year in April. This week is dedicated to learn about victimization, the effect victimization has on individuals, families, friends and the community, and to promote laws, policies, and programs to help victims of crime. Information has been placed on the Inmate channel about the Victim's Compensation Letter. If you wanted to express a sincere apology to your victim or their family this is a great opportunity. If you would like more information and assistance, contact your Unit Counselor or send a request to Ms. Sheeder or myself in Treatment Programs. Thank you.

  
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