

MEMO

TO J. Rivello, Superintendent RTU Residents

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FROM B. Hollibaugh Unit Manager

DATE September 30, 2021

RE RTU Community Update

Please welcome Mr. Grimme, Corrections Counselor, to the Residential Treatment Unit. He has been assigned to provide counseling services to the residents who had been previously assigned to Mr. Banks.

At the present time, the RTU at SCI-HUN is operating as one cohort group within the housing unit. White Cloth Facemasks must still be worn within the housing unit and when you leave the housing unit for a call out. You are permitted to leave the unit, when scheduled, for Commissary, Barber Shop, Law Library, and other Call-Outs.

All meals will continue to be delivered to the housing unit and you will be called by housing unit level to pick up your tray. Pill line and sick call are conducted on the unit. Other medical appointments may be scheduled at different locations depending on the services being provided. Showers will be conducted daily in two groups following afternoon yard. On odd numbered days level 1 & 3 will shower first and on even numbered days levels 2 & 4 will shower first.

The 2-10 shift officers will have the Phone/Kiosk sign-up sheet available at the officer's desk during the afternoon and evening hours. You may sign up for a 30 minute period of access to use the phone and kiosk the next day. During major line movements and at the discretion of the housing unit officers, residents may request to use a vacant Phone/Kiosk slot.

You must exit your cell in a timely manner and be properly dressed (trousers, shirt, mask) when you are participating in a line movement on the unit or leaving the unit on a call out. Shorts may only be worn during recreation in the yard. If you do not exit your cell by the time last call is given, you forfeit your opportunity to participate in that activity.

Minor adjustments may need to be made to the daily RTU Schedule to accommodate meals, pill line, and other line movements. If a scheduling conflict arises, you may need to make a choice on which activity to participate in at that time. **Please be advised, Quarantine guidelines are subject to change at any time.**

Residents may have access to recreation up to three times a day, either in the RTU yard or block out. Please review the yard rules issued effective 7-29-21. You may remove your mask while you are in the yard.

Daily Morning Yard: 8:00 am - 10:00 am. In gate at half-time is 9:00 am.

Daily Afternoon Yard: after count clears (approximately) 12:30 pm - 2:15 pm. In gate at half-time is 1:15 pm.

Daily Evening Yard: following evening meal (approximately) 5:30 pm – until the end time determined by Shift Commander. In gate at half-time will be 1 hour after yard begins.

<u>Medical:</u> If you experience any COVID-19 like symptoms such as fever, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, diarrhea, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell, please immediately inform a staff member who will arrange for you to receive a medical evaluation. **Reminder: On 5-26-21, Secretary John. E. Wetzel indefinitely suspended, Medical Co-pays.**

<u>Cable:</u> If you submitted a Cable Contract for October 2021 cable service, the fee of \$17.00 was deducted from inmate accounts on 9-28-21. Inmate Subscriber Agreement and Cancellation forms are available at the Officer's Desk. The Scheduled payment dates for the remainder of 2021 are:

October 28, 2021 – November cable fee (\$17.00) November 23, 2021 – December cable fee (\$17.00) December 30, 2021 – January 2022 cable fee (\$17.00) Kiosk: Until further notice, residents are permitted to send 2 free e-mails a week.

<u>Mail:</u> For the first time ever, there are postage changes for the Holiday Season, effective Sunday, October 3, 2021 thru Saturday, December 25, 2021. The notice of the Postage Rates has been posed on the block bulletin board.

Reminder: Residents are permitted, without cost, to mail twelve (12) one-ounce first class letters during October 2021. All outgoing inmate mail must have the return address of: Smart Communications/PA DOC, SCI-Huntingdon, your full DOC commitment name, your DOC Number, and PO Box 33028, St. Petersburg, FL 33733.

<u>Cash Slips:</u> In accordance with the 2017 Inmate Handbook, Page 1, 1. Accounting A. General #6. You may use the money from your inmate account to send money to immediate family members: your spouse, children, parents, grandparents, brothers, sister, aunt, or a person with whom you made your home, or the care giver of your children. Your relationship(s) must be verified by institutuional staff before a check is sent.

<u>Visits:</u> In Person visits are avilable to the general population at SCI-HUN. In an attempt to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, visits are limited to four visitors per inmate. Each inmate is permitted to have three visits per month, one of which may be on a weekend (Saturday or Sunday). This is in addition to the five-video visit quota. It is your responsibility to ensure you have the visitor's correct information (i.e.: date of birth and address matching their ID/Driver's License) on your Visiting List so that they will be permitted to visit. L5 visits will remain video visit only. In Person visits for the RTU are available on:

Thursday	12:30pm – 3:30pm	CA, CB, DA1, DA3
Saturday	8:30am – 11:30am	CA, CB, DA1, DA3
Sunday	12:30pm – 3:30pm	CA, CB, DA1, DA3

The visitation station in CB 1010 is available to RTU residents for video visits daily from 8 am to 8 pm.

Your visitor must use the PA DOC inmate visitation system (<u>https://inmatevisitation.cor.pa.gov</u>) to schedule all visits, both in person and video visits, at least 3 days in advance. If you are moved to another, zone, all prescheduled visits will be cancelled. Your visitor will need to re-schedule a visit once you are assigned to your new zone. Please be advised the availability of dates and types of visits are subject to change.

<u>Commissary:</u>.You may borrow a copy of the General Population Commissary Catalog, updated 7-19-21, from the Officer's Desk in exchange for your ID card. Until further notice, the Commissary spending limit is \$100.00

Brand Change: September 3, 2021

PCI Item #	Item Description	Quantity Limit	Price
10600	HABANERO CHEDDAR CHEESE CUP 80Z	None	1.13

Discontinued Item: Effective September 13, 2021

PCI Item #	Description
34821	BUMPFIGHTER DISP RAZOR

Price Reduction: September 17, 2021

PCI Item #	Item Description	Price
17854	SNICKERS PEANUT BROWNIE 1.20Z ***	0.99

New Item and New Price: September 28.2021

PCI Item #	Item Description	Quantity Limit	Price
94255	DATEXX POCKET BASIC CALCULATOR	1	4.92

<u>Reminder</u> the below item is **temporarily unavailable.** A notice will be posted when they are back in stock.

PCI Item #	Item Description Category: TELEVISIONS
93703	EDEN CLR 19" LED HD TELEVISION W/REMOTE

Employment: Residents who are unable to work at this time due to COVID-19 guidelines will continue to receive their regular rate of pay for their normal work hours. The pay groups and pay dates will remain the same.

Shoe Shop: The Shoe Shop is operating on a request slip basis for exchange of shoes, repairs, shoe strings, and insoles. When announced on Thursday morning, bring your items to the officer's desk.

Laundry: Clothing Replacement and Missing Clothing services are conducted by request slip only. When announced, please bring clothing item(s) in need of replacement to the officer's desk. **These items will be replaced on Wednesday's only.** Please do not submit clothing and towels for re-labeling as we cannot provide that service at this time. On Thursdays, kitchen whites, sheets, pillow cases and towels will be collected and returned to you on Monday. On Sundays, brown clothing, towels, a white/yellow bag of clothing (separate browns and whites), and labeled blankets will be collected and will be returned to you on Wednesday. Laundry related issues should be addressed via request slip to Mr. Garman. Please specify if you need to be re-sized when submitting requests for clothing.

Barbershop: The Barbershop is open and is providing basic haircuts and beard trimming. No specialty services will be provided. The housing units will be scheduled for the Barbershop on a rotating basis.

Education: The Fall Term began on Monday 9-20-21 and continues until Friday, 12-10-21. The term break will be from 9-13-21 to 9-17-21. For residents who are unable to attend their educational courses in a classroom or meet in person with their teachers, the Education Department will continue to send assignments to the housing unit via block mail. Students must complete and return the assignments by block mail to receive school pay and credit hours. Please be advised, students who do NOT complete work will not be paid.

The Education Department is seeking residents who are interested in the Adobe Photoshop: If you think it, you can make it with Photoshop! Create and enhance photos, illustations, and artwork. This is a short term vocatonal program consisting of 200 hours and is designed to teach the manipulation and/or correction of digital images. <u>If you are interested, send a</u> request slip to Ms. Saylor Education Guidence Counselor by Monday, 10-4-21. The minimum requirements for this program are as follows:

- You must have sufficent time to complete the program
- You must have a GED or high school diploma on file, OR have at least a 9th grade education level on file in the Education Department and have completed the Pre-Vocational/Pathway program
- You must be at least 6 months misconduct free.
- You must not be on "Unassigned" status.
- You must be a Custody Level 2 or 3

Library: The Law Library for RTU Residents is on Tuesday mornings by call out. You may submit request slips to attend Law Library. If you have a verified legal deadline, send the verification to the Librarian who will arrange for priority access to the Law Library. Copies of legal materials will be provided if a cash slip is included with the request slip. Residents in need of notary services should submit a request to the Law Library. The SCI-HUN Leisure Library is available by use of the LEISURE READING REQUEST forms. Returns will be collected on Fridays and new materials will be delivered on Tuesdays. The RTU Block Library is open on the following schedule for residents to review and select materials: Monday Level 1, Tuesday-Level 2, Wednesday-Level 3, and Thursday-Level 4. Materials are also available by request slip.

<u>Chaplains</u>: Religious programming continues to be broadcast on the institutional channel. The Chaplaincy Department will provide literature for faith groups upon request. In addition, the Chaplaincy Department assists with processing notifications of a family death and grief counseling. The Chaplaincy staff are making rounds on the housing unit and providing religious material for spiritual encouragement. <u>New Schedule for Religious Worship Services on Inmate TV</u>

Sunday	12:00 Catholic Mass-each week on channel 8
Tuesday	12:00 NOI teaching-each week on channel 57
Wednesday	12:00 Native American-1 st & 3 rd Wednesday on channel 57
Wednesday	12:00 Buddhist/Eastern Religions-2 nd & 4 th Wednesday on channel 57
Wednesday	12:00 Christian-Protestant Services-each week on channel 44
Thursday	12:00 Jehovah's Witnesses-each week channel 57
Friday	12:00 Jewish Services-each week on channel 57
Friday	12:00 Muslim Services-each week on channel 44

<u>Activities:</u> Concession services are available in the RTU yard. Residents may redeem the ARJ and IGWF. There is a limit of 3 items per resident. You may consume your concession(s) in the yard and/or bring concession(s) back to the housing unit. The Activities Department hosts activities and/or contests in the RTU yard on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The Activities Department will maintain the Jaycee Photos schedule by housing units. The next Photos Session for the RTU is on Wednesday, 10-19-21 beginning at 1:00 pm in the RTU yard, weather permitting. A Group Photo with a MAX of 5 inmates is now permitted and all inmates in the photo <u>must</u> pay for a copy of that photo.

The PLA Giveaway for members only will be Friday, 10-8-21. Members will receive a Subway Chicken Wrap, Chips, and a Lipton Peach Tea.

The delivery date for RTU to receive the IGWF Sale Hoagies and Gatorade mix is Wednesday, 10-13-21.

The Jaycees Membership Drive for anyone wishing to be a member is open for ONE TIME ONLY! You must have funds in your account at the time of the <u>deadline on Monday, December 6, 2021.</u> Cash slips will be handed out by Block Reps. Cash slips must be turned in at the Officer's Desk and STAMPED. Membership Fees: Age 42 and older is \$18.00 and for those ages 41 and younger it is \$36.00. Please be advised that Normal Organizational Activities are subject to change.

The Jaycees 1st is conducting a RECIPE WRITE OFF using only commissary/Access Package Items ONLY. The Jaycees would like to see who can come up with the best recipe. Write down your recipe and instructions which should only include allowable procedures per DOC policies. The recipes can be for anything under the following categories: Fried Rice, Wraps, Bagels, Desserts and Pizza. Turn in all recipes to your JC Block Rep. Prizes will be awarded to the 1st (\$25(, 2nd (\$15), and 3rd (10) Places. <u>Deadline for recipes is Monday, November 1st, 2021.</u>

<u>Satellite Radio Survey Results</u>: Beginning October 2021, the following changes are being made to the IGW Calendar: **Ch. 2-** Heart & Soul, Groove, Joint, Pop2

Ch. 3-Heat, Prime County, Classic Vinyl, Real Jazz,

Ch. 4 Rock the Bell, 90s on 9, 80's on 8, and 70's on 7

Ch. 5-the Fly, Turbo, Classic Rewind, Watercolors, Bluesville

Ch. 6-Soultown, Y2K County, Highway, Roadhouse, Alt. Nation

<u>Treatment and Program Groups</u>: Attendance of prescribed program(s) in the Clinic is limited at this time. If your treatment program is provided in the clinic, you will be placed on the Call-Out list to attend. If the program is not available in a group room, the facilitators will provide in-cell homework assignments that are distributed and collected via block mail.

<u>Certified Peer Specialist</u>: The Certified Peer Specialists are available on the housing unit and will make rounds on the unit within the quarantine guidelines. You may also request to receive CPS services through a unit staff member.

<u>RTU Group Schedule:</u> The RTU unit psychology staff, RTU unit counseling staff will co-facilitate the below groups on the unit. We will require residents to maintain social distance and keep their mask on for the duration of the group. We will provide the the Residents on levels 1, 2, and 4 to participate together in the groups and residents on Level 3 will participate as a group. With a bi-weekly rotation, each resident has access to 12 out of cell groups over a 4 week period.

Monday:	9:15 am to 10:15 am- RTU Family Dynamics
Tuesday:	9:15 am to 10:15 am- Mood Management
Tuesday:	1:00 pm to 2:00 pm- RTU Anger mgt/Impulse Control
Wednesday:	9:15 am to 10:15 am-RTU Adjustment/Coping Group
Wednesday:	1:00 pm-2:00 pm- RTU Socialization skills
Friday:	10:00 am to 11:00 am-Medication Compliance

Block Information: Each day, on the 6-2 shift and again on the 2-10 shift, trash will be collected at your cell door. You may also bring your used food trays and trash down to level 1 to dispose of items in the trash containers when you are scheduled for an out-of-cell activity. Please do not flush food, plastic bags, Styrofoam trays, or other items down the toilet. Staff will provide cell cleaning supplies on a daily basis. You must clean your cell as soon as you receive your supplies.

The RTU staff will continue to make frequent rounds on the unit. Packets consisting of a variety of in-cell activities such as crossword puzzles, Sudoku, word search, coloring pages, and connect-the-dots as well as handouts related to mental health and coping skills are available upon request. **Reminder:** Please see a unit team member or housing unit officer if you need personal hygiene products such as toothpaste, a toothbrush, deodorant, body wash, and white soap.

The institution will operate on a Holiday Schedule on Monday, October 11th, for the Columbus Day Holiday.

Your family may obtain the most up-to-date public information regarding COVID-19 and the PA DOC at <u>https://www.cor.pa.gov/Pages/COVID-19.aspx</u>.

Please find attached the RTU Weekly Schedule and the IGWF Calendar for October 2021.

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