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Institutions Reopening to Near Pre-COVID Levels

5/26/2021 (Anchorage) – The Department of Corrections (DOC) today announced facilities will reopen to near pre-COVID levels by resuming many activities and programming. Basic COVID protocols will continue (mask wearing, front door screening, etc.) for all who enter a DOC facility.

"We have all been waiting for the time we could resume activities and programming in our facilities," said Commissioner Nancy Dahlstrom. "Today is that day."

Recreation, team sports, groups, classes and religious services will be allowed, and secured visitation extends to all those who were allowed inside pre-COVID. Masks will be still be required during inside activities, but when outdoors and social distancing, inmates may remove their masks.

Everyone coming into DOC facilities must be asymptomatic and wear face coverings. There is no vaccination status requirement.

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