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Department of Corrections Employee Tests Positive for COVID-19

4/9/2020 (Anchorage) – The Department of Corrections (DOC) was notified on 4/9/2020 that a staff member working at Lemon Creek Correctional Center (LCCC) in Juneau has tested positive for COVID-19. This is the first staff member within DOC who has tested positive for the virus.

Upon notification, LCCC immediately implemented the DOC Response Plan and took swift action to protect the health and welfare of inmates and staff at the facility. The Department of Corrections is working closely with the Alaska Section of Epidemiology to facilitate the contact investigation.

“DOC has been preparing for this moment, and we have plans in place to effectively manage this situation,” said Commissioner Dahlstrom. “We continue to follow CDC guidelines in order to prevent the spread of the virus within our institutions.”

LCCC completed notification of the confirmed positive case to staff and inmates late this afternoon.

This is an ongoing investigation and additional information will become available in the coming days.

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