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Maine Department of Corrections Provides Updates on COVID-19 Testing and Cases

The Maine Department of Corrections (MDOC) announced today that a total of 72 inmates have tested positive for COVID-19 at the Maine Correctional Center (MCC) in Windham through rapid antigen tests. These inmates, who previously resided in two housing units at MCC, will now be housed together in one unit for residents who have tested positive for COVID-19. The vast majority are asymptomatic while a few report mild symptoms. In addition, there are 9 positive cases of COVID-19 among MCC staff.

Thus far, universal testing at the facility has found that the outbreak is contained to the two aforementioned units at MCC. MDOC, in conjunction with the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention, will continue retesting of staff and inmates throughout the week.

Update from Maine State Prison

Three inmates at the Maine State Prison (MSP) in Warren have tested positive for COVID-19 through rapid antigen tests. These individuals, who reside in the same unit of MSP, are awaiting confirmation from PCR tests. Thus far, COVID-19 cases at MSP are contained to this one unit. MSP has had a total of three staff positive for COVID-19. Retesting of staff and inmates at MSP will continue throughout the week.

In-person visits at all MDOC facilities have been suspended throughout November.

The [MDOC's website](#) includes a COVID-19 dashboard, updated each day with testing numbers and positive cases among the resident population.

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