

Department of Public Safety COVID-19 Update for 12/10/20:
Halawa Correctional Facility Isolation/Quarantine Protocol Implemented, Mass Inmate Testing Continues

The Halawa Correctional Facility (HCF) has confirmed three (3) inmates and ten (10) staff tested positive for COVID-19. The positive inmates were placed in medical isolation. Inmate and staff testing is underway. As a precautionary measure, the HCF warden implemented facility-wide isolation and quarantine protocols, effective today, which includes suspending all inmate movement within the facility as well as transfers to and from the facility, for a minimum of 14 days. There is a total of 936 inmates at HCF. The Department of Health was notified and has already begun contact tracing.

Meanwhile, surge testing of O'ahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC) and Waiawa Correctional Center (WCF) inmates and staff is continuous. The three (3) OCCC inmate test results received were negative. No new test results were reported for WCF but an additional 12 inmates have recovered increasing the total recoveries to 160 and bringing the active positive inmate cases down to 52, with 2 inmates hospitalized. Of the 22 WCF staff results received 20 were negative and 2 were inconclusive. All WCF staff who tested positive have recovered and been cleared to return work. For more information on PSD's planning and response efforts to COVID-19: <http://dps.hawaii.gov/blog/2020/03/17/coronavirus-covid-19-information-and-resources/>.