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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY COVID-19 UPDATE

HONOLULU – The Department of Public Safety (PSD) was notified a deputy sheriff, assigned to the Sheriff Special Operations Section, has reported a positive test result. Notification was made to the Department of Health.

The Oahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC) reports 522 inmate test results received as part of the mass testing effort underway at the facility. Of that number, 110 were positive and 412 were negative. There were 47 inmate recoveries reported. There was also one (1) positive OCCC employee reported. Ongoing testing is being implemented by OCCC health care staff, with the assistance of the Department of Health (DOH). OCCC enacted their pandemic protocols to limit inmate movement. The facility is in constant contact with the courts to notify them of the status and continues to conduct video arraignments and hearings when requested by the courts.

COVID-19 testing is continuously being conducted in the state prisons and jails as well as in the contracted Saguaro Correctional Center in Eloy, AZ. The latest testing updates received for other correctional facilities are as follows:

**Hawaii Community Correctional Center** – Seven (7) inmate results: One (1) positive, six (6) negative. Seven (7) inmates have recovered, bringing the total active inmate cases down to four (4).

**Women’s Community Correctional Center** – One (1) positive staff case was reported.

**Maui Community Correctional Center** – Eight (8) negative inmate test results.

**Halawa Correctional Facility** – Two (2) negative inmate test results.

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) continues to encourage all staff and inmates to voluntarily get tested and receive the COVID-19 vaccination. For more detailed inmate testing data, PSD’s Pandemic Plan and information on response efforts made to safeguard the
inmates, staff and public, visit the dedicated COVID-19 webpage

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