DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY COVID-19 UPDATE

HONOLULU – The Hawaii Community Correctional Center (HCCC) reports four inmate test results. Of that number, two were positive and two were negative. That brings the total positive inmate cases at the facility to six. One positive inmate was released for full sentence served and is being assisted by the Department of Health (DOH) with quarantine housing. Two of the three housing units remain in quarantine. HCCC has enacted their pandemic protocol to suspend all inmate movement going out of the facility as a precaution. The facility health care staff and DOH are conducting contact tracing and coordinating voluntary testing for inmates and staff.

COVID-19 testing is continuously being conducted statewide at all facilities. The inmate test results received at other facilities are as follows:
- Oahu Community Correctional Center – 33 negative inmate test results
- Maui Community Correctional Center – 1 negative inmate test result
- Waiawa Correctional Facility – 1 negative inmate test result

13 of the remaining 15 active positive adult corrections officer recruits assigned to the Training and Staff Development (TSD) section have recovered and been medically cleared by DOH to return to class. There are two active positive recruits still in quarantine. One remains hospitalized. All of the recruits who previously tested negative returned to class last week and this week. Of the 40 in the class, four completed the final four days of training and moved on to their facilities. 16 will complete their training today and 18 are expected to finish their final four days of class on Friday.

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) continues to encourage all staff and inmates to voluntarily receive the COVID vaccination. For more information on PSD’s planning and response to COVID-19, inmate testing data, and information detailing the efforts made to safeguard the inmates, staff and public, visit our webpage at: http://dps.hawaii.gov/blog/2020/03/17/coronavirus-covid-19-information-and-resources/.
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