

NOTE: This was written by our Karas medical staff based on CDC guidelines. Please familiarize yourself with the information below.

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WCSO Employee and Detention Center COVID-19 Management Plan

After reviewing the information provided by the CDC and Arkansas Department of Health the following provisions will be made to protect against the introduction and/or spread of the COVID-19 virus at the Washington County Detention Center.

Staff Screening:

All staff reporting to work will undergo a screening prior to entering the work place. There are two stations set up at designated work place entrances. All staff reporting to work will utilize one of the two designated entrances. Each employee will complete a screening process. The screening will identify persons with a fever of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or greater, cough, shortness of breath, known exposure to the COVID-19 virus, travel to a high risk area/country in past 14 days. Any person with a fever (100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or greater) or answering yes to 2 or more questions will need to return home and contact their supervisor and health care provider for further instructions. **Each employee will be required to wash hands with anti-bacterial soap prior to starting their assigned shift.** Logs will be kept at each screening station.

*CDC recommendations for frequent handwashing have been posted throughout the facility.

The arresting officer transporting an arrestee to the detention center will also have to complete a screening prior to entering the detention center.

Return to work Guidance for COVID-19 Suspected/Confirmed Sheriff's Office Personnel

- COVID-19 symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure and can include any of the following: fever (100.4 or greater), cough, and/or shortness of breath. If you are experiencing any of the symptoms above and/or are sent home from work with any of these symptoms, follow the guidelines below:
 1. Workers with Confirmed /Suspected COVID-19 may return to work when **ALL** of the following criteria have been met:
 - a) At least 72 hours (3 days) have passed since the resolution of fever, without the use of antipyretics, **AND** improvement in respiratory symptoms (cough, shortness of breath) **AND**
 - b) At least 7 days have passed since symptoms onset
 2. If Sheriff's Office Personnel member receives a **NEGATIVE test result**, they may return to work under the following conditions:
 - a. Symptoms have resolved
 - b. It has been at least 24 hours since resolution of fever without use of antipyretics.
 - c. The person/persons that have been quarantined for close contact may also return to work if no symptoms have developed.

Asymptomatic Sheriff's Office Personnel with a Close Contact of a Confirmed/Suspected COVID-19 case

- **Confirmed vs. Suspected** COVID-19 case: A **confirmed case** has received a positive result from a COVID-19 laboratory test, with or without symptoms. A **suspected case** shows symptoms of COVID-19 but either has not been tested or is awaiting test results. If test results are positive, a suspected case becomes a confirmed case. A suspected case may also be identified by a designated screening process in the absence of testing availability.
- **Close contact** of a COVID-19 case: In the context of COVID-19, an individual is considered a **close contact** if they:
 - have been within approximately 6 feet of a COVID-19 case (suspected or confirmed) for a prolonged period of time or
 - have had direct contact with infectious secretions from a COVID-19 case (suspected or confirmed) i.e. have been coughed on
 - **Close contact** can occur while caring for, living with, sharing a common space with a COVID-19 case (suspected or confirmed)
 - Longer exposure time likely increases exposure risk
 - Coughing likely increases exposure
- **Quarantine** refers to the practice of confining individuals who have had close contact with a COVID-19 case (suspected or confirmed) to determine whether they develop symptoms of the disease.
 - **Quarantine** for COVID-19 should last for a period of **14 DAYS**.
- Asymptomatic Sheriff's Office Personnel with a Close Contact with a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 case will be excluded from work and quarantined at home for **14 DAYS** from the last exposure to the case (suspected or confirmed).

Arrestee Screening:

All arrestees will undergo a screening prior to entering the detention center. A screening station will be set up in the sally port. The screening will identify persons with a fever of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or greater, cough, shortness of breath, known exposure to the COVID-19 virus, travel to a high risk area/country in past 14 days. Any person with a fever (100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or greater) or answering yes to two or more questions will need to put on a mask to prevent the spread of infectious droplets from nose and mouth and be isolated. Logs will be kept at each screening station.

All arrestees will undergo am and pm temperature checks and symptom monitoring for 7 days after arrest while in detention. Any arrestee that develops fever of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or greater, cough, and/or shortness of breath will be isolated and evaluated for possible COVID-19.

Isolation Precautions:

Arrestees identified as high risk for COVID-19 will be required to wear a mask. The arrestee will be housed in a designated area and separated from general population to minimize contact with others. A medical professional will then conduct an assessment. If assessment findings meet current CDC testing guidelines, COVID-19 testing will be completed.

Release from Isolation Precautions: COVID-19 Suspected/Confirmed

Arrestees Confirmed /Suspected COVID-19 may return to general population when **ALL** of the following criteria have been met:

- d. At least 72 hours (3 days) have passed since the resolution of fever, without the use of antipyretics, **AND** improvement in respiratory symptoms (cough, shortness of breath) **AND**
- e. At least 7 days have passed since symptoms onset

Detainee Screening:

- All detainees reporting to work in assigned areas such as the laundry and food service area (trustees, 309's) will undergo a screening prior to reporting to assigned shift and prior to returning to designated housing. The screening will identify persons with a fever of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or greater, cough, shortness of breath, known exposure to the COVID-19 virus. Any person with a fever (100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or greater) or answering yes to screening questions will need to put on a mask and be moved to isolation for further evaluation which may include COVID-19 testing. Each detainee reporting to work will be required to wash hands with anti-bacterial soap prior to starting their assigned shift and encouraged to practice frequent hand washing per CDC guidelines.
- Sick call copay fees have been suspended to encourage self-reporting of illness. Any detainee with reported symptoms of fever, cough, shortness of breath will be required to wear a mask and be moved to isolation. A detainee will be a **Suspected COVID-19** case until proven otherwise.
- If the detainee meets the current testing guidelines outlined by the CDC, the Suspected COVID-19 detainee will be tested.
- **Confirmed vs. Suspected COVID-19 case:** A **confirmed case** has received a positive result from a COVID-19 laboratory test, with or without symptoms. A **suspected case** shows symptoms of COVID-19 but either has not been tested or is awaiting test results. If test results are positive, a suspected case becomes a confirmed case. A suspected case may also be identified by a designated screening process in the absence of testing availability.
- Any detainee that has had close contact with a Confirmed/Suspected COVID-19 detainee will be quarantined in a designated area for 14 days and observed for signs and symptoms of COVID-19.
 - **Close contact** of a COVID-19 case: In the context of COVID-19, an individual is considered a **close contact** if they:
 - have been within approximately 6 feet of a COVID-19 case (suspected or confirmed) for a prolonged period of time or

- have had direct contact with infectious secretions from a COVID-19 case (suspected or confirmed) i.e. have been coughed on
- **Close contact** can occur while caring for, living with, sharing a common space with a COVID-19 case (suspected or confirmed)
- Longer exposure time likely increases exposure risk
- Coughing likely increases exposure
- **Quarantine** refers to the practice of confining individuals who have had close contact with a COVID-19 case (suspected or confirmed) to determine whether they develop symptoms of the disease.
- **Quarantine** for COVID-19 should last for a period of **14 DAYS**.
- Asymptomatic detainees with a Close Contact with a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 case will be excluded from general population and quarantined for **14 DAYS** from the last exposure to the case (suspected or confirmed).

Cleaning Precautions:

Environmental cleaning will continue to follow the CDC recommended cleaning practices.

Personal Hygiene/Hand Washing:

Detainees have been educated on CDC recommendation for hand washing and personal hygiene. Detainees have access to necessary items to practice these guidelines.