# Nevada Department of Corrections COVID-19 Response TIMELINE

Charles A. Daniels, Director May 21, 2021

#### February 2020

- > 2/27/2020
  - NDOC Medical Director educated medical staff on possible signs and symptoms, risk factors and transmission methods of SARS-COV-2 (COVID-19).

 FEVER
 COUGH

SORE THROAT

#### March 2020

#### > 3/16/2020

- Firewalls were set-up between the facilities and community.
- NDOC-run programs continued with reduced capacity.
- Emergency Operations Center (EOC) was established in all facilities.
- Town halls were implemented in all facilities for staff and inmates.



## March 2020

#### > 3/18/2020

- All NDOC employees were declared as essential workers.
- Temperature checks and health checks conducted by medical for all staff prior to entry in all facilities.

#### > 3/20/2020

- Inmates were provided with 2 free phone calls per week due to the cancellation of visitation.
- > 3/26/2020
  - NDOC confirmed 1<sup>st</sup> staff COVID-19 positive case at High Desert State Prison.



# April 2020

- > 4/6/2020
  - Prison Industries announces the manufacturing of masks, gowns and hand sanitizers.
- > 4/14/2020
  - Director Daniels issues directive regarding the effective measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 using statewide sanitation protocols and use of personal protective equipment.
  - Exposed/Infected staff not authorized to return to work until cleared by the Medical Director.



#### May 2020

#### > 5/8/2020

- Medical Director issued update to COVID-19 symptoms.

#### > 5/19/2020

- NDOC's first inmate confirmed with COVID-19 at High Desert State Prison.

#### > 5/26/2020

- COVID-19 Protocols updated: requiring all staff and inmates to be tested for COVID-19.







July 2020

#### > 7/31/2020

 COVID-19 testing protocols updated: Every 2 weeks for all staff and every week for out of facility transports.

# August 2020

#### > 8/19/2020

- COVID-19 testing available for family members of staff.



# November 2020

## 11/19/2020

- Emergency COVID-19 Meeting between the Governor's Office, NDOC and DHHS-DBPH.

## 11/20/2020

- Updated protocols on the use of N-95 masks.



# December 2020

- > 12/7/2020
  - Weekly meetings with all Wardens regarding daily operations and COVID-19 updates.
  - Emergency Response Manual updated with emphasis on COVID-19.
- > 12/9/2020
  - BinaxNOW COVID-19 testing being utilized in conjunction with PCR testing.



### December 2020

#### >12/21/2020

- DHHS conducted a visit at High Desert State Prison at Indian Springs, Nevada.

### >12/24/2020 and 12/25/2020

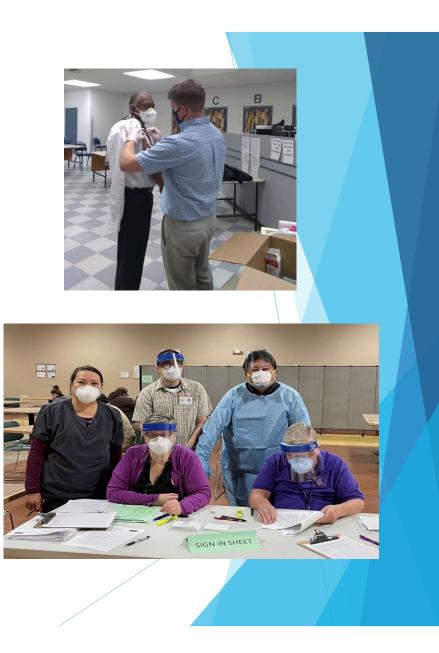
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### January 2021

#### ▶ 1/1/2021

- Announcement that COVID-19 Vaccinations will be available to NDOC staff beginning January 6, 2021.
- ▶ 1/3/2021
  - Executive team tours all major facilities to educate regarding COVID-19 vaccinations.



#### January 2021

#### >1/4/2021

- N95 masks required for all NDOC staff, visitors and inmates.

#### >1/5/2021

- Operation Procedure 490 - Institutional Sanitation and Inspection REVISED

#### >1/18/2021

- DHHS Site visit with NNCC at Carson City, NV



# March 2021





### > 3/3/2021

- COVID-19 inmate vaccination begins with all inmates in the category of 70 years old and above at institutions.

# April 2021

#### ▶ 4/5/2021

- COVID-19 vaccinations available to all adults 18 and above. NDOC begins inmate vaccination at Casa Grande Transitional Housing followed by all the other institutions.
- Vaccination efforts aided by outside agencies such as FEMA and local health departments and clinics in rural Nevada.



# May 2021

- > 5/1/2021
  - Visitation resumes at NDOC facilities with COVID-19 protocols in place.



# COVID-19 Case Statistics as of May 19, 2021

As of May 19, 2021	Inmates	Staff
COVID-19 Positive Cases	4	12
Cumulative COVID-19 Cases	4565	1001
Cumulative Confirmed COVID-19 Deaths	48	3

# NDOC Vaccination Statistics as of May 18, 2021

#### STAFF VACCINATION

Total Number of Vaccinated Staff	1276
Percentage of Vaccinated Staff	<b>50.5</b> %
INMATE VACCINATION	
Total Number of Vaccinated	
Inmates	5967
Percentage of Vaccinated Inmates	<b>56.3</b> %

#### What's next for the NDOC?

- Re-opening of Core Services (e.g. Law Library, Religious Services, Programming, etc...)
- Collaboration with Nevada Division of Emergency Management.
- On-going COVID-19 vaccination for offenders and staff.

# Thank you!