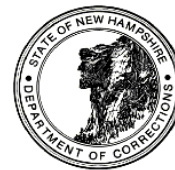


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New Hampshire Department of Corrections' Resident Tests Positive for COVID-19

(Concord, N.H.) – The New Hampshire Department of Corrections reports that a male resident who was transferred to their custody from an out of state correctional facility to serve time owed to the State of NH has tested positive for COVID-19. As the sending facility noted that they had positive cases of COVID-19, the NHDOC took proactive measures and he was immediately brought to a health services single-observation room for a 14-day quarantine to monitor for signs and symptoms of COVID-19.

As a secondary precaution, medical staff administered a COVID-19 test prior to considering transfer to the population after the quarantine period was complete. On the evening of Tuesday, May 26, medical staff were informed that the COVID-19 test was confirmed positive. The resident will remain in medical isolation until such time that he tests negative twice for COVID-19 and can be safely transferred to a housing unit.

This resident was transferred by NHDOC staff who were in full personal protective equipment as recommended by CDC guidelines for correctional facilities during the transport. The resident has had no contact with other residents. Staff who have been in contact with the resident have donned full personal protective equipment prior to contact.

For additional information and a dashboard of testing and positive cases, please see the NHDOC [COVID-19 webpage](#).

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