

Department of Public Safety COVID-19 update for 10/16/20: Three more Saguaro inmates test positive, and OCCC sees fifth day in a row with no new positive cases.

The Hawai'i Department of Public Safety (PSD) has been notified that 3 more Hawai'i inmates at the Saguaro Correctional Center (Saguaro) in Eloy, Arizona tested positive for COVID-19. The total number of inmates in medical isolation at Saguaro with confirmed positive COVID cases is ten (10). Sixteen (16) inmates with pending test results are also in medical isolation and 737 inmates are in a precautionary 14-day quarantine. Saguaro nursing staff are doing daily temperature checks and monitoring the inmates for symptoms.

PSD's Health Care Division is working with DOH, the Hawai'i National Guard (HING) and community partners, to conduct mass testing for COVID-19 at all correctional facilities statewide. The DOH testing of Oahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC) inmates is continuous. The 3 inmate test results received, and 2 staff results received were negative. 97% of inmates and 84% of staff who tested positive for COVID-19 have recovered. Information on PSD's planning and response to COVID-19 can be found at: <http://dps.hawaii.gov/blog/2020/03/17/coronavirus-covid-19-information-and-resources/>.