

Department of Public Safety COVID-19 update for 9/29/20:

The Hawaii Department of Public Safety (PSD) Health Care Division is working with the Hawaii Department of Health (DOH) to conduct mass testing for COVID-19 at all correctional facilities statewide. The Halawa Correctional Facility (HCF) is also undergoing staff testing this week with the help of the Hawaii National Guard. Of the 38 HCF staff results received so far, there was 1 reported positive and 37 negative. The order of the facilities next in line for inmate testing is being worked out.

PSD and the DOH are continuing mass testing of OCCC inmates to mitigate virus spread in the incarcerated population. There were no new positive OCCC inmate or staff results reported today. There are currently no inmates hospitalized. The total number of PSD staff who have recovered and returned to work has jumped to 85.

For more information on PSD's planning and response to COVID-19, testing data, and information detailing the efforts made to safeguard the inmates, staff and public, can be found at: <http://dps.hawaii.gov/blog/2020/03/17/coronavirus-covid-19-information-and-resources/>.