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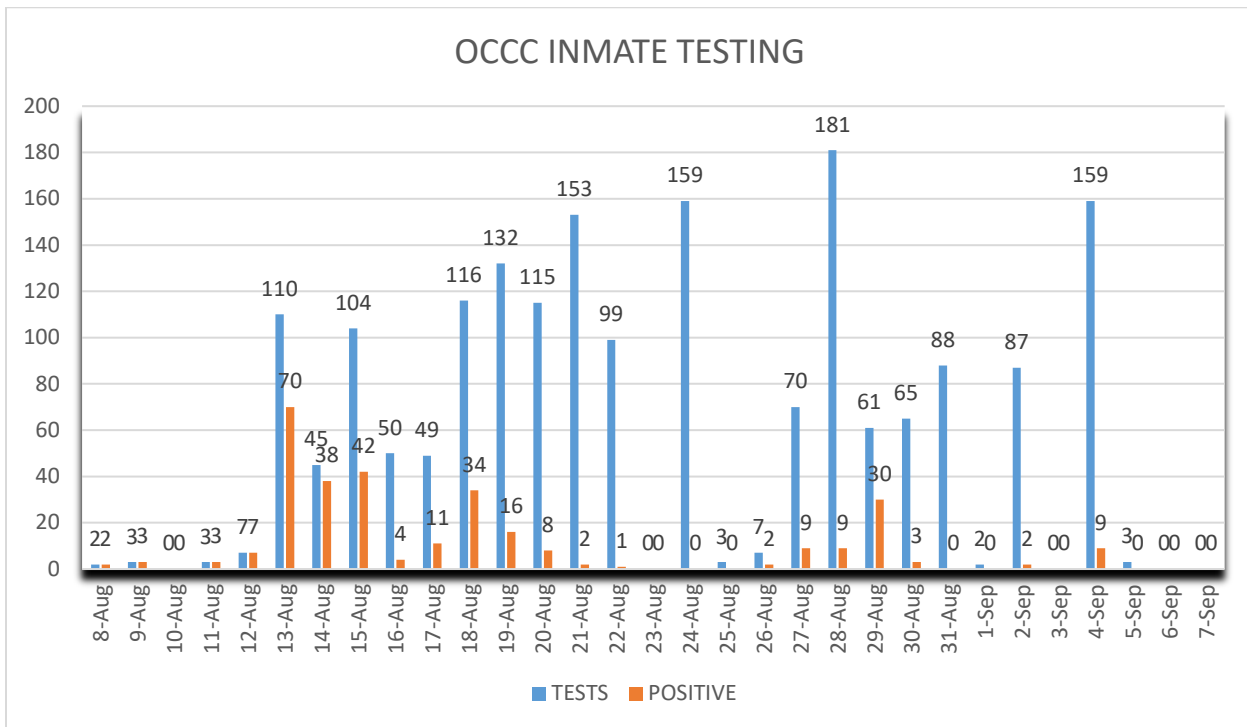
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY COVID-19 UPDATE FOR 9/7/20

HONOLULU –The Oahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC) has seen a notable decrease in the number of active infected inmates since the beginning of August. Three rounds of testing have been completed by the Department of Health (DOH). DOH will continue follow up testing and tracing to make sure the virus remains under control in the incarcerated population.



“The decrease in positive cases is a testament to the hard-working staff who are making every effort to mitigate the spread and continue following the pandemic plan,” said Maria Cook, Deputy Director for Administration. “We also want to thank the Department of Health for all their help during this time to identify hotspots and bring the virus under control. We know we aren’t in the clear, and the overcrowded conditions make it difficult, but we are confident our staff are doing everything the DOH recommends to continue mitigating spread.”

Staff continue to practice recommended precautions for the health and safety of the public, our staff and the inmates under our supervision including the use of proper Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). All facilities have been issued PPE and routinely keep an inventory of PPE for continuous distribution to staff as recommended in the Pandemic Plan. Each employee has been issued several face masks and at OCCC, employees have been issued a face shield for added protection. Face shields will be issued to all staff at other facilities. Staff have access to gloves and other protective supplies, available all over the facility.

There were no new COVID-19 cases reported among staff or inmates today.

Total PSD COVID-19 active and recovered cases as of 9/7/20:

	STAFF		INMATES	
	ACTIVE	RECOVERED	ACTIVE	RECOVERED
CORRECTIONS DIVISION				
HCCC	0	0	0	0
KCCC	0	0	0	0
MCCC	0	0	0	0
OCCC	43	37	58	231
HCF	2	1	0	1
KCF	0	0	0	0
WCCC	1	1	0	0
WCF	0	2	0	0
LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION				
SHERIFF DIVISION	3	1		
NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT DIV.	0	0		
ADMINISTRATION DIVISION*	1	0		
TOTAL**	50	42	59	232

*Administration Division includes administrative services, fiscal, personnel, training and staff development and the offices under the Director.

**Numbers are subject to change as pending results are received. The total number of positive and negative tests to date can be found on PSD's [COVID-19 information website](#).

- The inmate releases directed through the Hawaii Supreme Court (HSC) orders are ongoing. There were no new releases to report for 9/6/20.
- All transports to court from all Oahu facilities are suspended through Friday, September 18. Video hearings will still be accommodated to the extent possible and as legally permissible. PSD is in constant contact with the Judiciary to assure the safety of all staff and inmates involved.

PSD will continue to closely monitor the spread of COVID-19 and make additional operational and preventative decisions as the situation evolves.

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