

COVID-19 Information for Inmates and Family

During this emergency, please note that the Charlotte County Bureau of Detention is constantly working to ensure the safety of our inmates and staff. The office has been monitoring all CDC guidance as it relates to COVID-19 and has been instituting best correctional and health practices. All processes we have put into place are to ensure both your loved ones and our staff are safe.

Social Distancing- Visitation and most court processes are now conducted virtually to reduce interactions. Each open population pod is staggering their "out of cell time" and limiting interactions within the units to promote appropriate social distancing. Scheduled group activities outside of the unit have been cancelled or limited. Inmate movement outside of the units has also been reduced to allow for proper social distancing.

Sanitation- Proper hand washing and good hygiene has been covered with all inmates and mandated for every meal service. Additional information on CDC guidance was provided to inmates on their Communication Devices and Pod Kiosks, as well as signs reminding them. Each Housing area and multi-use areas within the facility are provided cleaning products throughout the day for thorough sanitation. This includes a deep cleaning of living areas, issued items, and hard surfaces.

Health Care- The Jail conducts screening on all new arrestees. Screening, monitoring, and numerous processes are in place to for everyone to include staff. Onsite medical and security staff also continue to review all inmates to identify and properly manage anyone that may develop flu-like symptoms.

Once again, your loved ones safety is important to us and we continue to take steps to keep them safe.