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Mecklenburg County Detention Centers Report Zero Cases of COVID-19

(CHARLOTTE, NC) – The Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office is pleased to report there are no active cases of COVID-19 at the Mecklenburg County Detention Center-Central (MCDCC) or the Mecklenburg County Juvenile Detention Center (MCJDC). There have been no resident deaths related to COVID-19 at MCDCC or MCJDC.

From the onset of the Coronavirus pandemic, the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office has worked diligently to coordinate and implement necessary protocols to prevent the spread of the virus in our facilities. All persons coming into our facilities are screened for symptoms, issued a face covering and placed in a quarantine/isolation housing unit for 14 days where they are monitored for symptoms. MCSO expanded its testing of residents in MCDCC when cases began to rise. All staff and visitors entering our facilities are required to wear a face covering, screened for symptoms and practice social distancing.

The protocols implemented have proven to be effective. Sheriff McFadden says, "This has been an incredibly challenging time for all of us. I remain proud of the commitment of my staff and healthcare providers with Wellpath. Our plan of action to prevent the spread and introduction of COVID-19 in our facilities has worked and we will continue to work to keep residents safe while they are in our care."

Our healthcare providers will continue to conduct tests for any resident displaying COVID-19 symptoms.

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