

COVID-19 Update

April 21, 2020

7 p.m.

Kirkland Reception and Evaluation Center in Columbia is now on quarantine lockdown after a second inmate at the institution tested positive for the COVID-19 virus.

SCDC has notified county detention centers that it will not be accepting new male inmates for at least two weeks while inmates and staff at Kirkland are being monitored. There will be no movement in or out of the institution during this time except for critical staff.

Kirkland is unique in SCDC in that it houses the agency's main hospital for men, psychiatric hospital and is the place where new male admissions come before being assigned to a specific institution.

New female inmates are still being received at Camille Graham Correctional Institution.

SCDC remains diligent in its efforts to protect inmates and staff. Future updates about COVID-19 will be posted on our website, www.doc.sc.gov