

COVID-19 Update

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2 p.m.

SCDC announced the death today of an offender from Tyger River Correctional Institution, who died from complications of COVID-19.

Stanley Smith, 58, died at an outside hospital today after being hospitalized since June 26. Smith, who had several underlying medical conditions, tested positive for the coronavirus on June 24.

As of today, 116 offenders and nine staff members at Tyger River have tested positive for COVID-19. Most of the living units at the institution are on quarantine or isolation. SCDC, with 16,862 offenders, has had 313 offenders test positive for the coronavirus systemwide. Of those, 105 have recovered and 208 are active cases. There are 49 active staff cases. This is the department's third inmate death associated with the virus.

SCDC is working closely with the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control to ensure proper guidelines and protocols are being followed to safely manage our staff and offenders.

Further updates about the agency's response to the COVID-19 pandemic can be found on our website, www.doc.sc.gov.