

COVID-19 Update

Jan. 24, 2022

1 p.m.

SCDC announced the death today of a 59-year-old offender from Ridgeland Correctional Institution who was positive for COVID-19.

Michael Casey, who had multiple underlying medical conditions, died Jan. 21, 2022, at a local hospital. He tested positive for the coronavirus on Jan. 17 and was hospitalized Jan. 19.

SCDC, with 15,322 inmates, has 671 active inmate coronavirus cases and 164 active staff cases. This is the department's 57th inmate death associated with COVID-19.

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.