



# *Virginia Peninsula Regional Jail*

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## **VPRJ REPORTS RESULTS OF SECOND ROUND OF POINT PREVALENCE COVID-19 TESTING**

Williamsburg, Virginia – On Thursday, August 20, 2020, all staff at the Virginia Peninsula Regional Jail (VPRJ) and all inmates housed in the same housing unit as the previously reported initial positive inmate underwent point prevalence testing for Covid-19. This decision was made in consultation with the Peninsula Health District after VPRJ was notified that an inmate had tested positive for Covid-19 on August 13, 2020.

One VPRJ employee tested positive for Covid-19; this staff member is currently quarantined and is asymptomatic. Of the inmates tested in the housing unit, 33 inmates have tested positive. The inmates are housed in a quarantine unit, separate and apart from the general population, and are presently asymptomatic. They remain closely monitored by VPRJ's medical team and our on-site physician, and will remain in quarantine as directed by the Peninsula Health District. Additionally, the inmates whose test results were negative or inconclusive have been separated from those who tested positive, and will be quarantined. They will be retested based on potential for exposure with confirmed positive inmates due to the congregate nature of the jail's housing units. We continue to be in continuous contact with the Peninsula Health District and additional testing will be ordered at the direction of the health district and the Virginia Department of Health.

VPRJ continues to strictly adhere to a facility wide mask policy, daily temperature checks, and extensive and frequent cleaning initiatives. Our inmate population is kept informed and updated on the status of the jail by the jail's command and medical staff, and are encouraged to report any and all symptoms of illness. VPRJ will continue to consult with our inmate population to ensure they are informed and assured that their health and safety are being provided for.