

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, REHABILITATION AND REENTRY

COVID-19 Management Strategy Update

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(PHOENIX)— As a further proactive measure to combat the potential spread of the COVID-19 virus in Arizona’s prisons, ADCRR has reached a collective agreement with Sheriffs in all 15 counties to temporarily suspend admissions of convicted persons from county jails for 21 days, followed by subsequent 21-day cycles of prudent admissions. This emergency measure was spearheaded by ADCRR Director, David Shinn, in collaboration with each Sheriff as part of ADCRR’s continued efforts to prevent the potential spread of the COVID-19 virus.

“Today is another example of how law enforcement agencies across the State are working together to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus while maintaining public safety,” said ADCRR Director, David Shinn. “I want to thank all 15 Sheriffs for their commitment and partnership. In particular, I also want to thank Maricopa County Sheriff Paul Penzone and Pinal County Sheriff Mark Lamb, for their exemplary leadership in this collaborative law enforcement effort.”

Currently, there are no known COVID-19 cases at any of ADCRR’s 16 prison complexes which house more than 42,000 inmates.

Get the latest information about ADCRR’s response to COVID-19 by visiting our website, <https://corrections.az.gov/>, and [@AZCorrections](#) on Twitter.