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Yesterday, Texas reported its 10th consecutive day of record-high COVID hospitalizations. As <u>cases continue</u> <u>to rise</u>, it is imperative that Managed Care team members follow proper precautions at work and in the community. Now, more than ever, we must remain diligent to protect the safety and wellbeing of those around us. This includes strict adherence to the Return to Work section of the <u>COVID-19 Employee Exposure</u> <u>Management Policy</u>.

On July 1, TDCJ will begin a limited intake of offenders from county jails. Each offender will be screened prior to transport to ensure that admission will not expose TDCJ to the risk of COVID-19. Upon arrival at the intake center, all intakes will be quarantined as a cohort for 14 days. Please work closely with your unit leadership and our partners at TDCJ as we resume safely receiving offenders into our facilities.

If you have questions about your role in stopping the spread of COVID-19, please contact your supervisor, unit leadership, or Managed Care Human Resources. We will send out this leadership update twice per month moving forward. The <u>Managed Care COVID-19 Page</u> and Managed Care COVID-19 Timeline also contain updates on the following items:

- Resources
- Policies
- TTUHSC COVID-19 Phases
- Media Communication
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Travel
- Guidance to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19
- Communication
- Fraud Alerts
- COVID-19 Positive Status within Managed Care
- Offender Movement
- TDCJ Strike Force Testing
- Self-Attestation and Self-Screening

Remain cognizant of your health and social distancing but most importantly, remain diligent with your selfcare. You must take care of yourself before you can take care of anyone else.

We are all in this together.

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