Virginia Department of Corrections
CQI Public Meeting
25 June 2021 at 1:00 P.M.

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Agenda:

I. Call to order – Mark Amonette, MD

II. Roll Call of Committee Members– Mark Amonette, MD

III. Instructions/housekeeping for virtual meeting-Jeffrey Dillman

IV. Old Business/Recap of Last Meeting and update on NCCHC inquiry - Dr. Herrick

V. New Business
   a. COVID-19 Vaccinations Among VADOC Inmates-Warren McGehee

VI. Public Comment-2 minutes each up to 5 members of the public
   i. in chat box indicate you would like to make a comment
   ii. for others on phone or over 5 members, make comment to healthservicesinquiries@vadoc.virginia.gov and the comment will be made part of the meeting minutes

VII. Actions for next quarter-Dr. Amonette/Dr. Herrick

VIII. Adjournment – Dr. Amonette, MD
Introduction

Correctional facilities, nursing homes, college dormitories, and other congregate living arrangements are high-risk settings for COVID-19 transmission. The availability and administration of the COVID-19 vaccine, combined with physical distancing protocols and effective use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), can help mitigate this risk. The Virginia Department of Corrections (VADOC) began offering the COVID-19 vaccine to all inmates in its facilities* and to all staff on January 6, 2021. To encourage vaccinations among inmates, VADOC held Dialogues with the inmates and offered incentives, such as JPay credits, telephone credits, and commissary packages for fully vaccinated inmates. VADOC is also piloting a process at selected facilities where fully vaccinated inmates are permitted to attend in-person programming/classes/activities. The vaccination status of its inmate population on May 13, 2021 was analyzed to see if there were any differences between those who have been vaccinated and those who have not been vaccinated.

Inmate Characteristics

There were 24,139 inmates in VADOC Facilities on May 13, 2021**. Of these, 15,769 inmates had received at least the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine (65.3%). Males made up 93.7% of the total population, but they comprised 92.9% of the vaccinated population and 95.3% of the non-vaccinated population. As a result, male inmates had a much lower vaccination rate than females (64.8% vs. 73.9%).

Black inmates made up 57.7% of the total population, but they comprised just one-half (50.1%) of the vaccinated population and more than two-thirds (69.1%) of the non-vaccinated population. White inmates made up 42.3% of the total population, but they comprised almost one-half (48.8%) of the vaccinated population and less than one-third (29.9%) of the non-vaccinated population. As a result, Black inmates had a much lower vaccination rate than White inmates (Black=57.7%; White=75.5%; Other=67.6%). When looking at ethnicity, Hispanic inmates (3.3% of the total population) had a higher vaccination rate than Non-Hispanic inmates (71.5% vs. 65.1%).

Older inmates were more likely to have been vaccinated than younger inmates. Inmates 45 years old or older comprised more than one-third (36.6%) of the total population. They accounted for 44.0% of the vaccinated population but less than one-quarter (22.6%) of the non-vaccinated population. Inmates under the

*Throughout this report, the term inmate includes inmates in VADOC Facilities and probationers/parolees in a Community Corrections Alternative Program (CCAP) location, and the term facility includes VADOC prisons, correctional centers, work centers, and CCAP locations.

**Total population includes 443 new intakes who have been in a VADOC Facility for less than 30 days.
age of 45 made up 63.2% of the total population, and they comprised more than one-half (55.8%) of the vaccinated population, but they accounted for over three-quarters (77.1%) of the non-vaccinated population. As a result, older inmates had much higher vaccination rates than younger inmates. Vaccination rates for older inmates ranged from 75.3% for 45-54 year olds to 84.5% for 65-74 year olds, while vaccination rates for younger inmates ranged between 41.7% for inmates under 25 years old to 65.3% for 35-44 year olds.

The medical class information for these two groups of inmates was also analyzed for differences in vaccination rates, inmates with medical conditions had a slightly higher vaccination rate than those without any reported medical condition. Inmates with a medical class of something other than “A—No Disabilities” comprised 23.0% of the population, and these inmates had a vaccination rate of 66.9%. Inmates with a medical class of “A—No Disabilities” comprised 77% of the population, and these inmates had a vaccination rate of 64.9%.

More detailed information is in the table below.

VADOC Facility Inmate Characteristics by Vaccination Status (as of May 13, 2021)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Age Group</th>
<th>Vaccinated</th>
<th>Not Vaccinated</th>
<th>Total</th>
<th>Vaccination Rate</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Male</td>
<td>14,652</td>
<td>7,976</td>
<td>22,628</td>
<td>64.8%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Female</td>
<td>1,117</td>
<td>394</td>
<td>1,511</td>
<td>73.9%</td>
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<td>Non-Hispanic</td>
<td>15,201</td>
<td>8,144</td>
<td>23,345</td>
<td>65.1%</td>
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<td>Hispanic</td>
<td>568</td>
<td>226</td>
<td>794</td>
<td>71.5%</td>
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<td>No Medical issues or unknown</td>
<td>12,051</td>
<td>6,527</td>
<td>18,578</td>
<td>64.9%</td>
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<td>Inmate has a Medical issue</td>
<td>3,718</td>
<td>1,843</td>
<td>5,561</td>
<td>66.9%</td>
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<td>American Indian or Alaskan Native</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>23</td>
<td>65.2%</td>
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<td>Asian or Pacific Islander</td>
<td>93</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>120</td>
<td>77.5%</td>
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<td>Black</td>
<td>7,907</td>
<td>5,787</td>
<td>13,694</td>
<td>57.7%</td>
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<td>White</td>
<td>7,697</td>
<td>2,504</td>
<td>10,201</td>
<td>75.5%</td>
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<td>Unknown</td>
<td>57</td>
<td>44</td>
<td>101</td>
<td>56.4%</td>
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* Total includes missing data and unknowns

SOURCE: VADOC Research - Statistical Analysis & Forecast Unit, May 19, 2021