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Inmate Death at USP Tucson

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Sunday, October 27, 2020, inmate Stanley Rice tested positive for COVID-19 and was placed in medical isolation at the United States Penitentiary (USP) in Tucson, Arizona. He received daily symptom checks and was assigned to a unit with 24-hour supervision. On Monday, November 9, 2020, institution staff found Mr. Rice unresponsive, and immediately initiated life-saving measures. Emergency Medical Services (EMS) were requested, and EMS personnel arrived and continued life-saving efforts. Mr. Rice, who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced deceased by outside hospital medical staff.

Mr. Rice was a 60-year-old male who was sentenced in the Western District of Arkansas to a Life sentence for Transport with Intent to Engage in Criminal Sex Activity. He had been in custody at USP Tucson since February 26, 2020.

USP Tucson is a high security facility that currently houses 1,360 male offenders.

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