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Inmate Death at FCI Fairton

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Wednesday, December 9, 2020, inmate Fred Keys was evaluated by institution medical staff at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Fairton in Fairton, New Jersey. On the same day, he was transported to a local hospital for further evaluation and treatment due to congestive heart failure. On Tuesday, December 15, 2020, Mr. Keys tested positive for COVID-19. On Sunday, January 3, 2021, his condition worsened and he was placed on a ventilator. On Saturday, January 9, 2021, Mr. Keys, 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 hospital staff.

Mr. Keys was a 57-year-old male who was sentenced in the Western District of New York to a 360-month sentence for Racketeering Conspiracy and Conspiracy to Possess with Intent to Distribute 28 Grams or More of Cocaine Base. He had been in custody at FCI Fairton since September 26, 2017.

FCI Fairton is a medium security facility that currently houses 889 male offenders.

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