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**Inmate Death at FCI Yazoo City Medium**

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Sunday, January 9, 2022, inmate Dwight Pearson tested positive for COVID-19 at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Yazoo City Medium in Yazoo City, Mississippi. Institution medical staff monitored Mr. Pearson's condition and provided treatment. On Monday, March 21, 2022, in accordance with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines, Mr. Pearson was converted to a status of recovered following the completion of medical isolation and presenting with no symptoms.

On Sunday, May 8, 2022, due to a deteriorating chronic medical condition, Mr. Pearson was transported to a local hospital. Subsequently, on Thursday, June 16, 2022, Mr. Pearson was pronounced deceased by hospital staff. Following a review, it was determined his death was related to COVID-19.

Mr. Pearson was a 50-year-old male who was sentenced in the Northern District of Georgia to an 84-month aggregate sentence for Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud, and Aggravated Identity Theft. He had been in custody at FCI Yazoo City (Medium) since November 18, 2021.

FCI Yazoo City Medium is a medium security facility and currently houses 1,470 male offenders.

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