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Inmate Death at FCI Terminal Island

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Sunday, April 19, 2020, inmate Rex Damon Begay, Sr., tested positive for COVID-19 in the institution infirmary at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Terminal Island, in San Pedro, California. Institution medical staff provided treatment and monitored his condition. On Monday, April 20, 2020, he was transported to a local hospital for further treatment and evaluation. While at the hospital, his condition declined and he was placed on a ventilator on Thursday, April 23, 2020. On Wednesday, April 29, 2020, Mr. Begay was pronounced dead by hospital staff.

Mr. Begay was an 80 year-old male who was sentenced in the District of Arizona to a 120-month sentence for Abusive Sexual Contact with a Minor Less Than 12 Years Old. He had been in custody at FCI Terminal Island since April 12, 2016.

FCI Terminal Island is a Low security facility that currently houses 1,053 male offenders in San Pedro, California.

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