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Inmate Death at FMC Devens

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On April 7, 2020, inmate Darrel Underhill went to the outside hospital for a radical nephrectomy for renal cancer. On April 10, 2020, Mr. Underhill returned to the Federal Medical Center (FMC) Devens, in Ayer, Massachusetts, and was placed in quarantine status. On April 22, 2020, he developed a fever and was sent to the outside hospital where he tested positive for COVID-19; he returned to the institution the next day.

On Monday, May 4, 2020, Mr. Underhill, who was receiving hospice care in the Skilled Nursing Unit at FMC Devens, and had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced dead by FMC Devens' hospital staff.

Mr. Underhill was a 76 year-old male who was sentenced in the District of New Jersey to a 121-month sentence for Distribution of Child Pornography. He had been in custody at FMC Devens since April 26, 2018.

FMC Devens is an Administrative facility that currently houses 1004 male offenders.

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