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Inmate Death at FMC Fort Worth

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Friday, April 24, 2020, inmate Vernon Adderley was seen by Health Services staff at the Federal Medical Center (FMC) Fort Worth for a fever, cough, shortness of breath, and other symptoms. Mr. Adderley tested positive for COVID-19 and was immediately placed in isolation. On Wednesday, April 29, 2020, he was seen by FMC Fort Worth Health Services staff for dehydration, weakness in his lower extremities, and other symptoms. Mr. Adderley was transported to a local hospital for further treatment and evaluation. On Monday, May 4, 2020, his condition declined and he was placed on a ventilator. On Monday, May 11, 2020, Mr. Adderley, who 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 hospital staff.

Mr. Adderley was a 56 year-old male who was sentenced in the Southern District of New York to a 420-month sentence for Narcotics Conspiracy, Conspiracy to Deal in Firearms without a License, and Using and Carrying a Firearm During a Narcotics Crime. He had been in custody at FMC Fort Worth since July 30, 2019.

FMC Fort Worth is an Administrative facility that currently houses 1458 male offenders.

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