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Inmate Death at FMC Lexington

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Tuesday, May 12, 2020, inmate Daniel Morris tested positive for COVID-19 and was immediately placed in isolation at the Federal Medical Center (FMC) Lexington in Lexington, Kentucky. On Thursday, May 14, 2020, he was admitted to the local hospital due to shortness of breath. On Thursday, May 21, 2020, Mr. Morris returned from the local hospital due to his improved condition. On Wednesday, July 1, 2020, Mr. Morris was found unresponsive at the institution. Responding staff immediately initiated life-saving measures, requested emergency medical services (EMS), and life-saving efforts continued. On July 1, 2020, Mr. Morris, who had a pre-existing medical condition, which the CDC lists as a risk factor for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced dead.

Mr. Daniel Morris was a 70 year-old male sentenced in the Northern District of Ohio to an aggregate 46-month sentence for Conspiracy to Commit Program Fraud and Mail Fraud (2 Counts), Money Laundering Conspiracy, and Aggravated Identity Theft. He had been in the custody at the Federal Medical Complex (FMC) Lexington since December 18, 2018.

FMC Lexington is an Administrative security facility that currently houses 1,293 offenders.

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