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**Inmate Death at FMC Carswell**

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Thursday, July 9, 2020, inmate Veronica Martinez Carrera-Perez tested positive for COVID-19. On Wednesday, July 15, 2020, Ms. Carrera-Perez was evaluated by institutional medical staff at the Federal Medical Center (FMC) Carswell, in Fort Worth, Texas, for low oxygen saturation. She was transported to a local hospital for further treatment and evaluation. On Monday, August 3, 2020, Ms. Carrera-Perez, 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.

Ms. Carrera-Perez was a 44-year-old female who was sentenced in the Western District of Texas to a 288-month sentence for Conspiracy To Possess 5 Kilograms or More of Mixture of Substance Containing a Detectable Amount of Cocaine, Conspiracy to Possess 50 Grams or More of Methamphetamine and 500 Grams or More of a Mixture or Substance Containing a Detectable Amount of Methamphetamine. Ms. Carrera-Perez had been in custody at FMC Carswell since June 18, 2019.

FMC Carswell is an Administrative facility that currently houses 1355 female offenders.

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