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Inmate Death at FMC Lexington

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Friday, January 14, 2022, inmate William Herron tested positive for COVID-19 at the Federal Medical Center (FMC) Lexington in Lexington, Kentucky, and was placed in medical isolation. Institution staff monitored his condition and provided treatment. On Monday, January 24, 2022, in accordance with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines, Mr. Herron was converted to a status of recovered following the completion of medical isolation and presenting with no symptoms.

On Wednesday, February 2, 2022, Mr. Herron was transferred to a local hospital for atrial fibrillation. On Thursday, February 10, 2022, Mr. Herron's condition worsened and he was placed on a ventilator. Subsequently, on Friday, February 18, 2022, Mr. Herron, who had long-term pre-existing medical conditions which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced deceased by hospital staff.

Mr. Herron was a 75-year-old male who was sentenced in the Western District of Kentucky to an aggregate Life sentence for Kidnapping and Transportation of a Stolen Motor Vehicle in Interstate Commerce. He had been in custody at FMC Lexington since March 29, 2021.

FMC Lexington is an administrative security federal medical center that currently houses 1,016 male offenders.

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