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CHAIRMAN'S MEMORANDUM

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TO: SHERIFFS, COMMISSIONERS OF CORRECTION, JAIL ADMINISTRATORS, WARDENS, JAIL PHYSICIANS, FACILITY MEDICAL DIRECTORS, CHIEFS OF POLICE, AND SSD FACILITY DIRECTORS

RE: Health Advisory: Updated DOH COVID-19 Guidance Relevant to Vaccinated Individuals

The New York State Department of Health (DOH) recently updated its COVID-19 guidance advisories relative to quarantine for exposed community persons, exposed healthcare/direct care setting personnel returning to work, and quarantine restrictions following out of state travel. Included in the updated guidance are criteria for recently vaccinated individuals. Copies of the updated guidance can be found here:

[*UPDATE to Interim Health Advisory: Revised Protocols for Personnel in Healthcare and Other Direct Care Settings to Return to Work Following COVID-19 Exposure – Including Quarantine and Furlough Requirements for Different Healthcare Settings*](#)

[*UPDATE: Health Advisory: Quarantine for Community Persons Exposed to COVID-19*](#)

[*Interim Guidance for Quarantine Restrictions on Travelers Arriving in New York State Following Out of State Travel*](#)

Please immediately review this information with your respective administration and local health officials, and make any necessary adjustments to your policies, procedures and operations in response to this rapidly evolving public health crisis. As detention facilities are especially at risk for the spread of communicable disease, due to the number of individuals living in close proximity to one another, facilities must take all available precautions to minimize the risk of a COVID-19 outbreak, while simultaneously maintaining a safe and secure facility.

Allen Riley, Chairman