AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
CALIFORNIA CORRECTIONAL PEACE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION (CCPOA)
AND THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND
REHABILITATION (CDCR)
AND THE
CALIFORNIA CORRECTIONAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES (CCHCS)
REGARDING THE
MANDATORY TESTING OF BUS STAFF FOR THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS
(COVID-19)

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the parties at the conclusion of Meet and Confer negotiations on March 22, 2021. This
Agreement becomes an addendum to the current State Bargaining Unit Six (BU6)
Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) which expires on July 2, 2022.

1. The parties agree that there are variations in specimen collection methods used for
COVID-19 testing and that currently those methods of collection are: anterior nares
(nostril swab), oropharyngeal (throat swab) and saliva collection.

If a better specimen collection method is developed that is less invasive, more
accurate or allows for a quicker test result reading, the CDCR agrees to pursue the
feasibility of implementing such a method and will provide, in writing, CCPOA of new
specimen collection method processes.

2. The parties agree that if BU6 staff are mandated to report back to the work location
to be tested for the mandated COVID-19 testing program on either an RDO, or other
pre-approved time-off, they will be compensated in accordance with the Callback
Time provision contained in the BU6 MOU.

3. Both parties agree that a mandatory COVID-19 testing program is being required
and provided by the employer.

   • The employer's mandatory COVID-19 testing program will be at no
cost to the employee. However, if costs are incurred because of the
employer's mandatory testing program, the employee will request
reimbursement for all monies and or fees expended and submit the
billing for payment by the employer through the CalATERS process.

   • No Insurance card or proof of insurance will be required of employees
for the employer's mandatory COVID-19 testing program.

   • The employee will be required to fill out the Vendor's medical consent
form as part of the employers' mandatory COVID-19 testing program.

4. The State will ensure all BU6 member testing information obtained and collected by
the employer or any of their contractors, vendors, or affiliates, will only be used to
trace, track, or contact the employee and employer of the testing results.
5. The State agrees that BU6 employee testing results and other pertinent information will be shared with the employee through one of the following methods; through state issued electronic mail (email) with an alternate method of contact, telephonic contact, text message, U.S. Postal Service or other mail service, in-person/ on-grounds by Intuitional Return-To-Work coordinator, or authorized contract vendor staff, or authorized CDCR designee assigned to the employer's testing program. Any in-person communications will occur in a private location such as an office or meeting room.

6. The State will attempt to ensure that testing through the mandatory COVID-19 testing program will be done on-grounds or at the worksite location. However, if this cannot be accomplished, the parties agree that BU6 members will be reimbursed for any accrued mileage, medical co-payments, or other fees incurred as a result of off-site testing. Reimbursement will be approved through the CalATERS system. NOTE: The above (Item No.6) is only to cover the cost of the employer's mandatory testing program. It is not meant to cover cost for employee's who are symptomatic and testing due to exposure or contract tracing.

7. The mandatory COVID-19 testing program schedules will continue to be made available on the CDCR intranet site via a link to CCHCS Lifeline intranet page. The intranet site is updated when testing schedules change.

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