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Two Department of Correction incarcerated individuals pass away, due to COVID-19 virus

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Two incarcerated individuals under the supervision of the Connecticut Department of Correction have passed away from complications related to the novel coronavirus.

Due to medical privacy laws, the names of the individuals are not being released.

On January 5, 2022, a 77-year-old male who had been receiving treatment at the Agency's MacDougall-Walker Correctional Institution's Medical Isolation Unit, was taken to a local hospital for continued care of his illness and comorbidities. The individual passed away on January 15, 2022.

He last entered the Connecticut correctional system on July 31, 2018, and was being held on a \$2 million bond for Murder.

The second individual, a 51-year-old male, had absconded from special parole on 9/23/2020, and was returned to the Hartford Correctional Center on October 29, 2021.

After becoming symptomatic with the Covid-19 virus, he was taken from the Hartford facility to a local area hospital for further treatment on January 15, 2022. He unfortunately succumbed to his illness on January 17, 2022.

His involvement with the Department of Correction dates back more than 30 years, and his Special Parole end date was August 12, 2026.

"I pray that we have passed the peak of the Omicron wave of the virus," said Commissioner Angel Quiros. "As always, I encourage those who have not been vaccinated to get their shots."