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Department of Correction inmate passes away due to COVID-19 virus

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An incarcerated individual under the supervision of the Connecticut Department of Correction passed away from complications related to the novel coronavirus.

Due to medical privacy laws, the name of the individual is not being released.

The 53-year-old male had been transferred from the Bridgeport Correctional Center to an outside hospital for treatment on December 30, 2020, where he succumbed to his illnesses late Sunday evening, January 24, 2021. The deceased individual had suffered from underlying health issues which made him more susceptible to contracting the novel coronavirus.

He last entered the Connecticut correctional system in March of 2019, and was awaiting trial on multiple charges of Possessing Child Pornography. His bond was set at \$155,000.

His death comes as the Department of Correction prepares to vaccinate its staff and inmate population as part of the State's phase 1B vaccination rollout, and underscores the importance of getting vaccinated.