

DIRECTIVES: JOB CORPS INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 21-04

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National Director Office of Job Corps

SUBJECT: Amendment of Reporting Requirements in Instruction Notice 20-02

- 1. <u>Purpose</u>. To provide updated guidance on notification letters about positive COVID-19 tests of on-center staff and students.
- 2. <u>Background.</u> In November 2020, Job Corps published Instruction Notice 20-02, providing a "Center Checklist for COVID-19 Positive Test Results" (checklist) for determining the appropriate steps to take when coordinating with Job Corps in the event a staff member or student tests positive for COVID-19. Paragraph 9 of this checklist provided guidance for assembling a notification letter for center staff alerting them of a positive case. Subparagraphs (a) through (c) provides direction for developing a joint draft with Job Corps regional offices and securing approval from Job Corps' national office.

Job Corps now amends paragraph 9 of IN 20-02's checklist to remove subparagraphs (a)-(c) to provide faster notification of our center communities. Within 24 hours of learning of a positive COVID-19 test for a student or staff member who has been on center, centers should notify students and staff using the Job Corps-provided template for these notification letters with language tailored to the Job Corps community.

- 3. <u>Action</u>. IN 20-02 is amended to strike subparagraphs (a), (b), and (c) of paragraph 9 of the checklist. Job Corps regional staff will provide center staff a template for notification letters.
- 4. Effective Date. Effective immediately until rescinded or superseded.
- 5. <u>Inquiries</u>. Questions about the implementation of this policy guidance should be addressed to Regional Directors.