Office of the Corrections Ombuds

Quarterly Public Meeting

September 30, 2022

Systemic Reports

- 1. Retaliation = Published
- 2. Mail = Published
- 3. COVID Deaths = September 2021 Draft Released to Crosscut



Current OCO Director asked DOC to review the deaths from before the DOC was required to convene the unexpected fatality review (UFR) committee and to participate in a facilitated conversation with meaningful recommendations that can drive future corrective action plans.

- 4. Disciplinary Policy (Infractions) = In Process
- 5. Health Status Report (HSRs) = In Process
- 6. Use of Force (Including Emergency Restraints) = Ongoing Project

Since June 1, 2022

2,071

Published Individual Investigations

2021

December

2022

January

February

March

April

2022

May

June

July

August

952 New Complaints

July-September

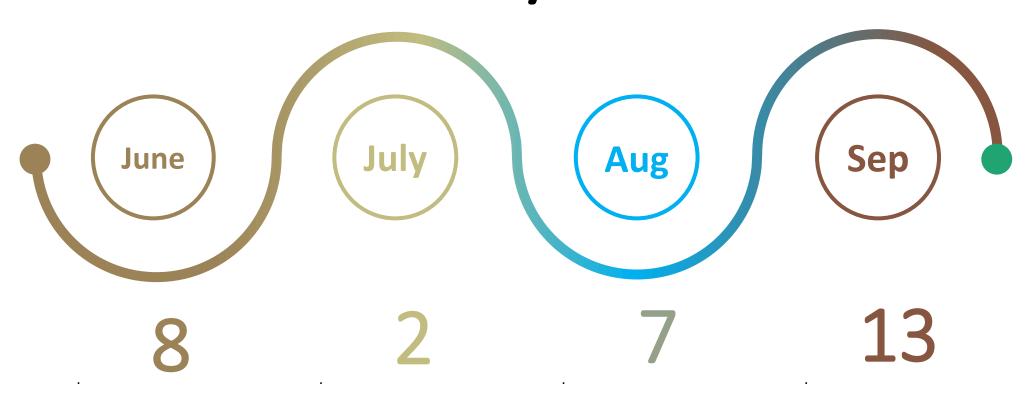
Case Factor Trends

- 1. Access to Medical
- 2. Canceled/Rescheduled Appointments
- 3. Staff Misconduct
- 4. Infractions
- 5. Classification

Facility Trends & Emerging Issues

•Fear of transfer to CRCC & WSP because of safety concerns

June – September 2022 Facility Visits



Increasing Assistance Provided

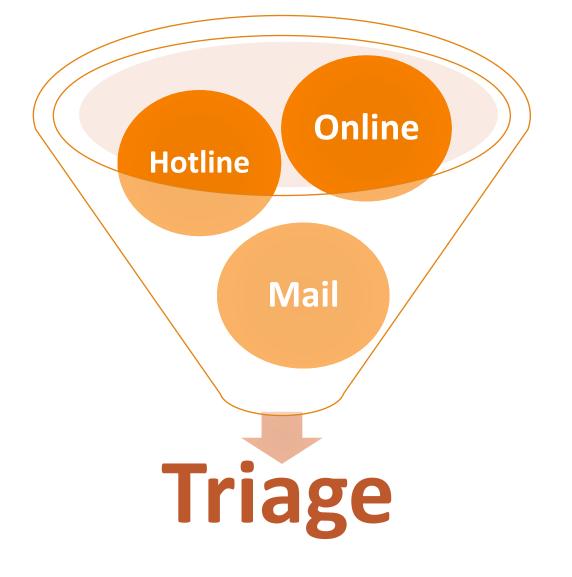
June: 21%

July: 28%

Aug: 40%



Assistance & Information Provided



Decreasing Time to Resolution

Washington State Pro-Equity Anti-Racism (PEAR) Plan & Playbook



Tasks

1. Conduct an Equity Impact Review (Due 8/1/2022)



2. Create and implement a PEAR Strategic Action Plan (Due 9/1/2022)



- 3. Prepare a PEAR Annual Performance Report (Due 9/1/2023)
- 4. Annually update the OCO PEAR Strategic Action Plan

The OCO Investigation Priorities

- Health
- Safety
- Welfare
- Rights
- Rehabilitation

RCW 43.06C.040: (1) The ombuds shall:

- (a) Establish priorities for use of the limited resources available to the ombuds;
- (i) Establish procedures to gather stakeholder input into the ombuds' activities and priorities, which must include at a minimum quarterly public meetings;

Stakeholder Questions & Comments

1. In-Person Stakeholders

2. Virtual Stakeholders Start with pre-submitted

*All responses to pre-submitted questions and received comments will be posted on the OCO website.

Next Quarterly Public Meeting January 6, 2023 Time TBA

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