No new COVID-19 cases at Ohio federal prison



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CLEVELAND, Ohio (WOIO) - Columbiana County health officials said there have been no new COVID-19 cases at the <u>Elkton Federal Correctional Institution</u> since last week.

A total of 523 inmates at the prison have tested positive for COVID-19.

One of the inmates who tested positive is former <u>Cuyahoga County Commissioner</u> <u>Jimmy Dimora</u>.

Dimora, who is serving a 28-year sentence for corruption charges, is in isolation with other prisoners who have tested positive.

According to health officials, nine inmates at the prison have died from COVID-19.

Health officials said there are a total of 899 cases in Columbiana County.

Soldiers with the Ohio National Guard spent several weeks at the prison in April on a medical mission.

The soldiers helped treat and transport the seriously ill patients.

Their mission at the prison was completed on April 24.

Also, since Elkton is a federal prison, Ohio does not have the authority to release federal prisoners.

All visiting at this facility has been suspended until further notice

FCI Elkton is a low security facility that currently houses 2040 male offenders, with an adjacent Federal Satellite Low which currently houses 417 low security male offenders.

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