

# COVID-19 Update

Sept. 9, 2020

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SCDC announced the death today of an offender from Broad River Correctional Institution, who died from complications of COVID-19.

Paul Earl Jeter, 73, who had several underlying medical conditions, died in palliative care at the institution Tuesday, Sept. 8. He tested positive for the coronavirus on Sept. 3.

As of today, 355 offenders and 54 staff members at Broad River have tested positive for COVID-19. Of those, 332 offenders and 30 staff are active cases; 19 offenders and 24 staff members have recovered. SCDC, with 16,106 offenders, has had 1,906 offenders test positive for the coronavirus systemwide. Of those, 947 have recovered and 939 are active cases. There are 102 active staff cases. This is the department's 20th inmate death associated with the virus.

SCDC is working closely with the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control to ensure proper guidelines and protocols are being followed to safely manage our staff and offenders.

Further updates about the agency's response to the COVID-19 pandemic can be found on our website, [www.doc.sc.gov](http://www.doc.sc.gov).