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## OREGON DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

## **Drug Interdiction Efforts**

#### **Professional Standards Unit:**

- In August 2024 DOC created a professional standards unit, similar to other LE agencies, to improve the consistency, quality, and timeliness of staff investigations.
  - This unit is solely focused on staff investigations.
  - Prior to the professional standards unit, HR addressed administrative staff investigations and SIU investigated allegations of criminal conduct by staff members. SIU investigators often had a large number of AIC criminal cases on their caseloads as well.

#### **Drug Interdiction Unit**

- In August 2024 DOC also created a drug interdiction unit consisting of two drug interdiction teams. These teams focus on removing drugs currently in DOC facilities and preventing additional drugs from being introduced to DOC facilities.
- The unit includes two full-time drug detection K-9s
- The unit also includes embedded intelligence resources which support:
  - Drug interdiction efforts,
  - o Institution safety and threat identification,
  - Other public safety efforts as needed.

#### **AIC Prohibited Conduct Rule Changes**

- The AIC Prohibited conduct rules have changed over the last few years:
  - o Stricter sanctions for drug distributors
  - More options for leniency for mitigation circumstances (i.e. AIC was being extorted, AIC has an addiction problem, AIC has many years of clear conduct, etc)
  - Additional rule to hold AICs accountable for transfer of digital currency to pay for drugs.

#### Wastewater Analysis

- DOC initiated a pilot program to analyze the wastewater coming out of several institutions in an effort to identify drug trends at specific institutions.
  - o We are comparing the analysis to institutions with SUD programs to those without.

#### **Urinalysis Program**

We have updated our UA program to help identify additional drug types. Electronic Scanning

• We have brought in different electronic scanning methods to help identify drugs and other illicit substances.

### Field testing

 We have obtained new field-testing systems and trained staff on their use in order to help identify drugs in a safe manner.

#### Drones

• Recognizing the unique threat posed by proliferation of drone technology, we are considering technology that will help detect drones operating in the airspace above our institutions.