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Sarasota County Jail Taking Steps to Safeguard Against Flu

In an effort to reduce the risk of introducing any influenza-like illnesses to the inmates and staff at the Sarasota County Jail, anyone with flu-like symptoms will be excluded from visiting or volunteering in the facility until twenty-four (24) hours after the symptoms resolve or for seven days (7) after the illness begins.

Inmates are screened during the booking process and if there is any indication of flu, are medically isolated in a "negative pressure cell" which does not circulate air into the building's ventilation system.

The H1N1 Virus has not been detected at this facility. Correctional and Medical Staff are following Centers for Disease Control Correctional Guidelines and taking proactive measures out of an abundance of caution.