

BULLETIN

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Brooks membership meeting Thursday on meningitis

MCO is holding a meeting for Brooks members to discuss the recent cases of meningitis and death of a corrections officer.

WHAT: Brooks membership meeting regarding meningitis

WHERE: Northway Lanes, 1751 Evanston Ave., Muskegon

WHEN: 12 p.m. - 4 p.m. Thursday, April 4

MCO encouraged MDOC to hold an informational meeting last week, after the department announced an officer had died from meningitis and an inmate was hospitalized. They shared information about how to protect yourself from contracting meningitis and answered questions about how the bacteria spreads.

Now MCO is holding meetings to hear about officers' experiences related to the meningitis illness at the facility. Your experiences will help inform a plan of action that we can take to the MDOC. We want to do everything possible to help MDOC educate staff and alleviate stress and uncertainty if meningitis should strike again. To do that, we need input from all Brooks officers. Safety is our number one priority, and that includes safety from disease and infection as well.

More about the officer who passed away will be in the next KYI. Our hearts are with Brooks staff and the officer's family

and friends who have been grieving this loss. May

he rest in peace.

MCO will keep members updated on any developments. Please watch our <u>website</u>, emails, and our <u>members-only Facebook group</u>.

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