

- Why are inmates being moved out of state?
 - Delaware DOC is temporarily reducing the prison population in order to relieve stress placed on officers and inmates caused by understaffing. The transfers improve work life balance for staff, increase opportunities for education, programming and treatment for inmates, and provide a more secure correctional environment.
- Do you tell the inmates they're moving prior to the transfer?
 - No. The majority of correctional officer deaths take place in the community during transfers. To ensure the safety of the inmates and the officers responsible for their transportation, advance notice is not given to the inmates or the public.
- How many Delaware-sentenced inmates will be moved out of state?
 - Up to 330 inmates will transfer to facilities operated by the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections.
- Will my loved one complete his sentence in Pennsylvania?
 - No, the maximum number of years a person can serve under this agreement is five years.
- How are the inmates chosen?
 - Inmates are selected based on the following criteria:
 - Must have 5+ years remaining on his sentence;
 - Must not be engaged in active or pending litigation. Exceptions will be considered on a case by case basis at the discretion of the DOC;
 - Must not have a case which is suspended upon completion of a program;
 - Does not have a chronic illness, severe mental health diagnosis, and is not engaged in treatment requiring a continuum of care;
 - Must be under the age of 60
 - Not serving under a Pre-Truth in Sentencing (TIS) Sentence. Pre-TIS sentences fall under the jurisdiction of the Board of Parole.
- Will my incarcerated loved one take his property, medical records, and money with him?
 - Yes, most items will be moved with the inmate. Items not accepted by Pennsylvania may be shipped to someone in the community at the expense of the inmate.
- Can Delaware-sentenced inmates make phone calls upon arrival at the Pennsylvania facility?
 - Yes, inmates will have access to a phone within the first few days.
- How do I locate my loved one?
 - You are encouraged to register for [VineLink](#) to receive status updates and may also search the [PADOC inmate locator](#).
 - Delaware-issued SBI numbers do not transfer. Search using offender's name and date of birth.