



# North Carolina Department of Public Safety

## Prisons

Roy Cooper, Governor  
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Reuben F. Young, Interim Chief Deputy Secretary  
Kenneth E. Lassiter, Director

### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Region Directors and Facility Heads

**DATE:** January 2, 2019

**FROM:** Kenneth E. Lassiter  
Director of Prisons

**RE:** Restriction of Depositors – JPAY

Prisons is constantly exploring methods to improve safety, security and the overall operations of our facilities. As you are aware there are serious issues affecting Prisons that originate from the desire for monetary gain. Offenders often engage in illicit enterprises such as the selling of cigarettes, drugs, and cell phones to garner funds. All of which leads to the probability of offender on offender assaults. The aforementioned acts also lead to offenders soliciting funds from unsuspecting family members who ultimately bear the cost.

In an effort to address this concern, **effective February 5, 2019**, Prisons will restrict depositors into JPAY to only those identified as approved visitors, for that offender. This practice has been implemented in other state correctional agencies and has proven to be a sound method of deterring illicit acts as it relates to goods and services for monetary exchange.

Please post the attached “Notice to Offender Population” on offender bulletin boards for 30 days.

As always, your support of this initiative is greatly appreciated.

cc: Reuben Young, Interim Chief Deputy Secretary  
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Attachments

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## NOTICE TO OFFENDER POPULATION

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### RESTRICTION OF DEPOSITORS

Prisons is constantly exploring methods to improve safety, security and overall operations, this includes ensuring that all offenders have an opportunity to reside within our facilities without fear of strong arming and/or undue influence to commit an illicit act for monetary gain. As a result, effective **February 5, 2019**, Prisons will restrict depositors into trust fund accounts to only those listed as approved visitors, for the respective offender. Funds deposited will continue to be processed by JPAY. However, if funds are received from a non-approved visitor the action will be rejected by the vendor.

Offenders are encouraged to share this information with family and friends. This information will also be posted on the NCDPS and JPAY websites.

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## AVISO A LA POBLACIÓN DE RECLUSOS

2 de enero de 2019

### RESTRICCIÓN DE DEPOSITORES

Estamos constantemente explorando nuevos métodos para mejorar la seguridad y las operaciones de las prisiones, lo que incluye garantizar que todos los infractores tengan la oportunidad de residir dentro de nuestras instalaciones sin temor a la presión o influencia indebida por otros para cometer actos ilícitos para obtener ganancias monetarias. Por consiguiente, a partir del 5 de febrero de 2019, la autoridad de realizar depósitos a las cuentas de fondos fiduciarios se limitará solamente a los visitantes que han sido aprobados bajo el nombre del infractor dueño de la cuenta. JPAY seguirá procesando Los fondos depositados. Sin embargo, si se reciben fondos de un visitante no aprobado, el proveedor rechazará el depósito.

Se alienta a la población de reclusos a compartir esta información con sus familiares y amigos. Esta información también se publicará en los sitios web de NCDPS y JPAY.

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Director de prisiones

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