

# Preparing to Surrender

In this interactive webinar, we welcome members of our community to learn some lessons before they surrender to federal prison. We used this document as an outline. Knowledge is power. By understanding what's coming, participants empower themselves, removing some fear and anxiety that can come with the unknown.



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- We respect anyone's wish to remain anonymous. It is not necessary to identify yourself. People can join by audio, or without video if they prefer.
- We will record the session. All participants will receive a link to the recording, which will include screen shares.
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## • Meeting Schedule:

- One or more of our team members will host the webinar.
- After a brief introduction, our host will follow the outline below, presenting on each topic.
- The outline in the left margin of this document will show the topics we intend to cover.
- The host will ask participants to remain muted for each section of the presentation, and ask participants to ask questions after each topical presentation.

## • Interactions

- Following the presentation on each section, the host will invite participants to ask questions.
- Participants may click the "hand" icon on the toolbar. The hand icon will let the host know that a participant has a question.

- Participants may also leave comments in the chat window by clicking the “chat” icon in the lower right of the Google toolbar.

- Topics we intend to discuss on Pre-Surrender Webinar:

1. Resources to Learn: BOP.gov

- a. Locator
- b. Facilities
  - i. Info on facilities
  - ii. A and O Handbook
  - iii. Commissary

2. BOP Formulary

- a. Check for medications
- b. Provide a link: <https://prisonprofessors.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/BOP-Formulary-1.pdf>

3. Telephone / Email / Mail

- a. Preparation
- b. Bring your list of contacts with you

4. Admission

- a. Surrendering
- b. Commentary

5. Quarantine where necessary

- a. How to Prepare
- b. Communication system
  - i. 24 hours expect call
    1. No call
    2. Family calls institution
    3. Show family how to get number
    4. Inquire if on quarantine

6. What happens if I'm not vaccinated for COVID?

- a. We want to get an answer to this question from an expert, nationwide.
- b. Please visit website Advocacy Section: Answers to come from SME

7. Holding cell

- a. Handcuffs
- b. Paperwork
  - i. What should we do to make sure BOP has paperwork
    1. Please visit website Advocacy Section: Answers to come from

## SME

- c. Explain the holding cell and what goes on
  - i. Temporary

## 8. Forms

- a. Understand what they are
- b. Understand the questions and your responses
  - i. Lower bunk pass
  - ii. Soft shoe

## 9. Interviews

- a. Why they're relevant
- b. What to ask
  - i. Remember that you're creating a record
  - ii. Relates to job placement and so forth

## 10. Search / Clothing

- a. Explain the strip search

## 11. Money / Identification

- a. Explain Western Union and Money Orders and Cash
- b. Explain why to bring copies of ID so it's in file
  - i. Vaccination card

## 12. Transition

- a. Moving to the Camp from the secure facility

## 13. Disciplinary Infractions: What to Know

- a. Series of infractions
- b. Process and response
- c. How to avoid

## 14. Orientation

## Group Assets

- 15. Top-Ten Checklist: <https://prisonprofessors.com/tips-before-surrendering-to-prison/>
- 16. How to Send Money: <https://prisonprofessors.com/send-money-to-people-in-federal-prison/>
- 17. How to use the Corrlinks Email: <https://prisonprofessors.com/how-to-send-emails-from-corrlinks-in-federal-prison/>
- 18. Learn from SMEs: <https://prisonprofessors.com/subject-matter-ex->

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19. Learn about Special Requests under Cares: <https://prisonprofessors.com/special-case-cares-request/>
20. Advocacy Page: <https://prisonprofessors.com/advocacy-news/>
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