



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Patty Ritchie

## Statement From Senator Patty Ritchie

PATTY RITCHIE April 1, 2020



I am pleased today to have received word that effective immediately, the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (DOCCS) will permit staff to wear protective masks while on duty inside correctional facilities.

I would like to thank DOCCS for listening to my concerns and the concerns of so many others who work in our prisons, as well as their loved ones. It is my hope that as the Coronavirus pandemic continues, this action will help protect the health of our Correctional Officers and all others who work inside our state's correctional facilities.

