**TO:** All Nemaha County Hospital Team Members

**FROM:** Marty Fattig

**DATE:** April 8, 2020

**RE:** Daily COVID-19 Update

As you know we have been putting masks on all people from the public entering the hospital. Yesterday we made the decision that all staff that are working directly with a patient should also be wearing a mask. We are reusing these masks so follow the procedure given to you to conserve these valuable resources.

As I review the statistics, it appears that the number of cases in Douglas County, Nebraska and New York tend to be flattening but cases in the rest of the state and nation continue to rise. I am especially concerned with the number of cases being reported from central and western Nebraska.

As of 9:00 this morning there were 1,447,466 cases in the world. Yesterday there were 1,362,936 cases. There have been 83,424 deaths. Yesterday there had been 76,373 deaths. 308,215 patients have recovered. Yesterday that number was 292,188.

In the United States there are now 399,929 positive cases, 12,911 deaths and 22,539 people that have recovered. Yesterday there were 368,449 cases, 10,993 deaths and 19,919 people that have recovered. 140,386 of the US cases are in New York.

In Nebraska there are now 478 cases and ten deaths. Yesterday there had been 417 cases and nine deaths. The deaths have occurred in Douglas, Hall, Buffalo, Madison, Custer, Gage and Lincoln counties. There is no data available on recovered patients in our state. We have had one confirmed case in our county, one in Johnson County and one in Otoe County with no community spread. 175 of the Nebraska cases are in Douglas County.

Once again, I want to remind you that the most important thing that you can to do help stop the spread of COVID-19 and protect your family and co-workers is to stay home when not at work and wash your hands. Remember our travel restrictions and practice social distancing in all situations.

Thanks for all you do every day!