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

**FROM:** Marty Fattig

**DATE:** April 9, 2020

**RE:** Daily COVID-19 Update

Yesterday we developed a plan in conjunction with the Auburn Family Health Center to more efficiently collect tests from those people that need testing. Anyone with typical symptoms of COVID-19 should contact their doctor. Only those with an order from a physician will be able to have a test collected. Staff should read the procedure to make sure that you are following the correct protocol. The new procedure is being put in place to protect all Auburn Family Health Center and Nemaha County Hospital staff and serve our community. Remember, only those with an order from a healthcare provider will be able to have a test collected.

Please note that we have set up a COVID receiving area for possible positive cases at the end of the south hallway. For this reason, we have removed the ability to enter this door with your fob or badge. This entrance will remain locked until further notice.

As of 9:00 this morning there were 1,502,618 cases in the world. Yesterday there were 1,447,466 cases. There have been 89,915 deaths. Yesterday there had been 83,424 deaths. 339,775 patients have recovered. Yesterday that number was 308,215.

In the United States there are now 432,554 positive cases, 14,829 deaths and 24,213 people that have recovered. Yesterday there were 399,929 cases, 12,911 deaths and 22,539 people that have recovered. 151,079 of the US cases are in New York.

In Nebraska there are now 534 cases and 14 deaths. Yesterday there had been 478 cases and ten deaths. The deaths have occurred in Douglas, Hall, Buffalo, Madison, Custer, Gage and Lincoln counties. Two deaths are unassigned. 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. 185 of the Nebraska cases are in Douglas County. There has now been 76 confirmed cases in Hall County, which is the Grand Island area.

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. Wear a cloth mask when you must be out in public.

Thanks for all you do every day!