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

**FROM:** Marty Fattig

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**RE:** Daily COVID-19 Update

We had some good news on Friday. I am sure that you have heard about the emergency funds that congress approved. Well, we found our portion of those funds in our account on Friday morning. These funds are not a loan. They are for us to use to cover our expenses. We are also applying for other funds approved by congress. Some of those funds are in the form of a loan and others are in the form of a forgivable loan if we do certain things. We need to make sure that we apply for all of these funds available to us in order to survive these difficult times without using any more of our reserves than absolutely necessary.

As of 9:00 this morning there were 1,863,406 cases in the world. Yesterday there were 1,792,674 cases. There have been 115,225 deaths. Yesterday there had been 110,042 deaths.

In the United States there are now 557,663 positive cases, 22,116 deaths and 2,816,228 people that have been tested. Yesterday there were 530,006 cases, 20,608 deaths and 2,668,766 people that had been tested. 190,288 of the US cases are in New York.

In Nebraska there are now 814 cases and 17 deaths. Yesterday there had been 704 cases and 17 deaths. 10,972 test have been run in the state. The deaths have occurred in Douglas, Hall, Buffalo, Madison, Custer, Gage and Lincoln counties. Three deaths are unassigned. We have had one confirmed case in our county, one in Johnson County and one in Otoe County with no community spread. 242 of the Nebraska cases are in Douglas County. There has now been 161 confirmed cases in Hall County, which is the Grand Island area. It appears that there are a large number of cases in Central Nebraska with a growing number of cases in Custer County and Dawson County as well as Hall County. I would not recommend travel to this 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!