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

**FROM:** Marty Fattig

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**RE:** Daily COVID-19 Update

Good morning and thanks for reading this update. Since our outpatient and surgery departments are now doing work in their area, we had to come up with a new plan to monitor traffic at the front door. We had a meeting yesterday and everyone was great about volunteering to take their turn providing this coverage. Thanks to Jere for organizing this meeting. This in important work and I thank everyone for stepping up and doing their part to keep us all safe.

With the lifting of travel restrictions in some counties and states, the following will be the Nemaha County Hospital travel guidelines to follow beginning 05/13/2020:

* Our recommendation is to stay home and away from others.
* Be aware of the status of COVID-19 in the community you are traveling to. If it is a ‘hot spot’ (lots of positive cases), the recommendation is to stay home. For a news resource regarding COVID-19 outbreak, please visit: [**CDC latest travel bans/advisories**](http://url6911.bryanhealth.org/ls/click?upn=EdvCMsV9uk7-2BTFS9gEeZCl1Wtr01NtZaB8LOnpHluCfBqhD7vJPLNYES2EHp5s7sfiCD54ujUXKev10QEKAbPgrozUJJQykvQNqyHF4Usx2iY9OEugiu14sRqr0m8fbNk2VkfdsxWn8p3jsutAgJGTqoB-2B-2BDEFYSSMi3mc5EONoQWF7KNqhJLXI-2ByCQZHwRF2ODRXtCSs0zWmN1MucmvZQ-3D-3DBRUq_lRg8ZjfAOFPrZM2zIb-2F0XAjle6ZdUkrgpaSwxmjBYzTipFAQBhR4q8Q6D8Yy6fO4kne6MpCT79dxARp5ujAoTCE2lprs-2BA9AF0N5kwlrHzPlzyruntnerxqXKGbIsaSQbv2o7w-2F8ZF1R-2FBuXpLPcR-2BxK8ah2e30AZ7LTlLk-2FKungP72UzK5Nts9Z3W6htI-2BUKNtVLY6-2FNU39KUO3KgtsBr9Tr-2BCSLES-2F3VDq7L92pDlrpgtEp2FESQv3Lr18zcDX) and/or this daily update.
* If you decide to travel, practice the following:
  + Social distance yourself from others
  + Wear a mask or cloth face covering for trips out of the house
  + Follow proper hand hygiene whenever you touch something
  + When you return, you MUST self-monitor, (everyone is expected to do this). Take your temperature twice a day for 14 days. Call the employee health nurse or your supervisor if your temperature is over 100.0 degrees, you have chills, repeated shaking with chills, headache, a new cough, shortness of breath, body aches, sore throat or can’t taste or smell.

As of 9:00 this morning there were 4,201,921 cases in the world. Yesterday there were 4,126,154 cases. There have been 286,835 deaths. Yesterday there had been 283,120 deaths.

In the United States there are now 1,347,936 positive cases, 80,684 deaths and 9,382,235 people that have been tested. Yesterday there were 1,329,885 cases, 79,528 deaths and 8,987,524 people that had been tested. 337,055 of the US cases are in New York. Yesterday there were 335,395 cases there.

In Nebraska there are now 8,407 cases and there have been 98 deaths. Yesterday there had been 8,171 positive cases and 96 deaths. That makes 236 new confirmed cases identified since yesterday. 46,239 people have been tested in the state. Yesterday 45,569 people had been tested. We have had one confirmed case in Nemaha County, five in Johnson County and two in Otoe County with community spread in Johnson County. 1,616 of the Nebraska cases are in Douglas County. There has now been 1,332 confirmed cases in Hall County, which is the Grand Island area and 227 cases in Adams County, which is the Hastings area. There are also 712 cases in Dawson County and 1,378 cases in Dakota County. There are now 634 cases in Lancaster County. There have been 433 people tested in the local public health district with eight positive cases.

Thanks for all you do every day!