**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. I have been off for a few days so I have not posted an update since July 2nd. What is happening in some states is pretty scary. Positive cases are increasing at a rate of over fifty thousand a day. Hospital Intensive Care Units are full to capacity. I don’t look for that to go down when I see how some people celebrated the Fourth of July holiday.

We received press releases from the Southeast District Health Department on July 3rd and July 8th informing us of new cases in the district. Those totals are listed below but they include two new cases in Otoe County and one new case in Richardson County.

There is lots of controversy over the proper way to move forward in this pandemic. If you follow the science, personal protection and social isolation seem to be what is recommended. There is always some risk associated with any activity. The question is, how much risk are you willing to take?

As of 9:00 this morning there were 12,068,034 cases in the world. Yesterday there were 11,856,991 cases. There have been 550,159 deaths. Yesterday there had been 544,871 deaths.

In the United States there are now 3,055,491 positive cases, 132,310 deaths and 37,431,666 people that have been tested. Yesterday there were 2,996,333 cases, 131,481 deaths and 36,878,106 people that had been tested. 398,929 of the US cases are in New York. Yesterday there were 398,237 cases there.

In Nebraska there are now 20,425 cases and there have been 282 deaths. Yesterday there had been 20,201 positive cases and 282 deaths. That makes 224 new confirmed cases identified since yesterday and 88 of the new cases are in Douglas County. 195,048 people have been tested in the state. Yesterday 193,073 people had been tested. We now have had four confirmed cases in Nemaha County, six in Richardson County, seven in Johnson County and twenty-four in Otoe County. These are the numbers of cases in each county as reported by the Southeast District Health Department. 7,684 of the Nebraska cases are in Douglas County. There have now been 1,611 confirmed cases in Hall County, 867 cases in Dawson County and 1,781 cases in Dakota County. There are now 59 cases in Gage County and 1,963 cases in Lancaster County. There have been 41 positive cases and one death in the Southeast District Health Department area.

Thanks for all you do every day! Remember to be kind!