

**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. With the exception of Lancaster and Douglas Counties, the rate of increase of COVID-19 cases in Nebraska seems to be decreasing. One thing that is interesting to note is that the majority of the new cases are in the younger age groups, indicating a lack of protective behaviors in this age group.

I would like to remind you that as employees of Nemaha County Hospital we are expected to understand infection control and model appropriate behavior when out in public. Please wear a mask, practice social distancing and wash your hands. If you practice this behavior, perhaps others will too and the number of new cases will decrease, protecting you and the entire community.

Please note that many national chain retail stores are going to be requiring the wearing of masks next week. It is especially important that we model appropriate behavior in these stores.

As of 9:00 this morning there were 13,833,957 cases in the world. Yesterday there were 13,583,763 cases. There have been 590,650 deaths. Yesterday there had been 584,922 deaths.

In the United States there are now 3,576,430 positive cases, 138,360 deaths and 43,351,945 people that have been tested. Yesterday there were 3,499,771 cases, 137,419 deaths and 42,521,027 people that had been tested. There were 76,632 new cases diagnosed in the U.S. yesterday. This number continues to climb. 14,000 of the new cases were discovered in Florida and 15,000 were in Texas.

In Nebraska there are now 22,134 cases and there have been 299 deaths. Yesterday there had been 21,979 positive cases and 291 deaths. That makes 155 new confirmed cases identified since yesterday and 52 of the new cases were in Douglas County. 223,229 people have been tested in the state. Yesterday 219,743 people had been tested. We now have had five confirmed cases in Nemaha County, one in Pawnee County, ten in Richardson County, eight in Johnson County and twenty-eight in Otoe County. These are the numbers of cases in each county as reported by the Southeast District Health Department. 8,409 of the Nebraska cases are in Douglas County. There have now been 1,635 confirmed cases in Hall County, 878 cases in Dawson County

Source: <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html>

and 1,864 cases in Dakota County. There are now 69 cases in Gage County and 2,316 cases in Lancaster County. There have been 52 positive cases and one death in the Southeast District Health Department area.

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