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. New cases continue to rise across the nation at a very rapid rate. California is going into complete shutdown again after seeing more than 20,000 new cases yesterday. In Nebraska new cases are leveling off, hospitalizations are going down but deaths are going up. We still need to be very cautious to stop the spread of this virus.

The first doses of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine were given in Great Britain yesterday. There were some rare cases of reactions in highly allergic people. These people used their epi-pens and they were fine. Hopefully this vaccine will receive emergency approval by the FDA on Thursday and distribution will begin soon thereafter.

We sent out a survey to all employees asking if you are willing to receive the vaccine. Please complete that survey. It will be very helpful down the road.

As of 9:00 this morning there were 68,401,725 cases in the world. Yesterday there were 67,740,458. There have been 1,560,630 deaths. Yesterday there had been 1,547,711 deaths.

In the United States there are now 15,186,244 positive cases and 286,461 deaths. Yesterday there were 14,956,227 cases and 283,747 deaths. There were 230,017 new cases diagnosed in the U.S. yesterday and 2,714 deaths.

In Nebraska there are now 142,603 cases and there have been 1,277 deaths. Yesterday there had been 141,127 positive cases and 1,236 deaths. 1,476 new confirmed cases have been identified since yesterday and 463 of the new cases were in Douglas County. We now have had 426 confirmed cases in Nemaha County, 118 in Pawnee County, 438 in Richardson County, 341 in Johnson County and 835 in Otoe County. These are the numbers of cases in each county as reported by the Southeast District Health Department. 45,054 of the Nebraska cases are in Douglas County. There have now been 5,143 confirmed cases in Hall County, 2,179 cases in Dawson County and 3,282 cases in Dakota County.   There are now 1,550 cases in Gage County and 18,881 cases in Lancaster County.

Thanks for all you do for us! Be kind to each other!

Source: https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html ; www.sedhd.org