

**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. The exciting thing that happened yesterday was that the FDA heard testimony from Pfizer on the results of their trial investigation on the safety and efficacy of their COVID-19 vaccine. I listened to some of the discussion and found it quite interesting. It appears that it will get emergency approval and the first people will receive vaccinations early next week! Remember that just because you receive the vaccine does not mean that you are immune from the disease. It takes time and two doses of the vaccine to reach the 95% effective level possible.

Again, if you are eligible and you are offered the vaccine, I hope you will agree to receive it. Several people have made information about the vaccine available to you. Please read this information and become informed so that your decision to receive the vaccine or not is based on sound information, not something that you read on Facebook.

As of 9:00 this morning there were 69,765,806 cases in the world. Yesterday there were 69,055,853. There have been 1,585,221 deaths. Yesterday there had been 1,572,565 deaths.

In the United States there are now 15,619,035 positive cases and 292,196 deaths. Yesterday there were 15,393,571 cases and 289,451 deaths. There were 225,464 new cases diagnosed in the U.S. yesterday and 2,745 deaths.

In Nebraska there are now 145,774 cases and there have been 1,329 deaths. Yesterday there had been 143,924 positive cases and 1,294 deaths. 1,850 new confirmed cases have been identified since yesterday and 534 of the new cases were in Douglas County. We now have had 462 confirmed cases in Nemaha County, 131 in Pawnee County, 461 in Richardson County, 349 in Johnson County and 853 in Otoe County. These are the numbers of cases in each county as reported by the Southeast District Health Department. 46,012 of the Nebraska cases are in Douglas County. There have now been 5,232 confirmed cases in Hall County, 2,226 cases in Dawson County and 3,310 cases in Dakota County. There are now 1,618 cases in Gage County and 19,324 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](http://www.sedhd.org)