

TO: All Nemaha County Hospital Team Members
FROM: Marty Fattig
DATE: May 17, 2021
RE: Weekly COVID-19 Update

Good morning! The Southeast District Health Department has updated the information on their website. There is a total of 14 new cases in the district in the last week. One of the new cases was in Johnson County, two were in Nemaha County, eight were in Otoe County, none were in Pawnee County and three were in Richardson County. This makes a total of 3,930 cases and 62 deaths in the district. 75 of the cases were diagnosed in the last 30 days.

There have been some people interested in knowing the number vaccinations that have been given by our hospital. So far, we have administered 3,604 doses of vaccine. We gave 85 doses last week. We are having a difficult time finding people willing to receive all of the vaccine that we have been allocated. We are offering the vaccine to walk-ins and last week we started giving the Pfizer vaccine to those 12 to 16 years of age. Please share the importance of becoming vaccinated with your friends and family.

Last week the CDC change their recommendations for the wearing of masks. They say that fully vaccinated people are not required to wear masks indoors or outdoors. Because not all NCH employees are vaccinated and because we have no way of knowing who in the general public is vaccinated, we have not changed any of the masking requirements in the hospital.

As of 9:00 this morning there were 163,147,111 cases in the world. Last Monday there were 158,400,711. There have been 3,381,069 deaths. Last Monday there had been 3,294,657 deaths.

In the United States there are now 32,941,311 positive cases and 585,971 deaths. Last Monday there were 32,708,028 cases and 581,755 deaths. There were 233,283 new cases diagnosed last week and 4,216 deaths.

In Nebraska there are now 222,335 cases and there have been 2,278 deaths. Last Monday there had been 221,434 positive cases and 2,251 deaths. 901 new confirmed cases have been identified in the last week and 252 of those cases were in Douglas County. We now have had 788 confirmed cases in Nemaha County, 236 in Pawnee County, 784 in Richardson County, 654 in Johnson County and 1,468 in Otoe County. These are the numbers of cases in each county as reported by the Southeast District Health Department. 71,474 of the Nebraska cases are in Douglas County. There have

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now been 7,843 confirmed cases in Hall County, 2,886 cases in Dawson County and 3,930 cases in Dakota County. There are now 2,185 cases in Gage County and 31,356 cases in Lancaster County.

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