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First COVID-19 Related Death in 3RPHD District and Case Updates

On Monday, April 13, 2020, Three Rivers Public Health Department (3RPHD) received confirmation of the first COVID-19 related death in Washington County. This death was that of a man in his 90s with underlying health conditions that was previously reported as a confirmed case in Washington County.

In addition, 3RPHD has identified another case of COVID-19. The Dodge County resident is in his 60s and he is self-isolating at home. This case is deemed to be community spread. All identified close contacts will self-quarantine and be actively monitored twice daily by public health officials for fever and respiratory symptoms. This is Dodge County's 11th case. This brings the 3RPHD health jurisdiction total to 37 cases.

The Dodge County case identified yesterday a female in her 30s, contact investigation has been completed and this case is deemed to be community spread. All identified close contacts will self-quarantine and be actively monitored twice daily by public health officials for fever and respiratory symptoms.

The contact investigation on the Saunders County case identified yesterday, a male in his 40s, has been completed and is deemed to be community spread. All identified close contacts will self-quarantine and be actively monitored twice daily by public health officials for fever and respiratory symptoms.

Please be aware of the COVID-19 symptoms, which may include a fever, cough, sore throat, severe fatigue or difficulty breathing. In most cases, a person will have more than one of these symptoms. Anyone who has COVID-19 symptoms or develops symptoms should contact their health care provider and tell them how you are feeling and any possible history of exposure. Please call ahead before you go to the doctor's office or an emergency room.

For more information about COVID-19 please visit <u>www.threeriverspublichealth.org</u>, <u>http://dhhs.ne.gov/coronavirus</u> or call United Way's 2-1-1 Resource Hotline.