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Health Department Seeks Support for COVID-19 Mitigation Plan

The Douglas County Health Department (DCHD) wants to remind everyone about three of the key points being emphasized by state and local governments for the next three weeks to help bring COVID-19 under control:

- Stay home as much as possible.
- Work from home if you can.
- When you have to shop, please shop alone.

On Thursday the Health Department confirmed 13 new cases of COVID-19 in the county. These new cases involve four men and nine women all between 25 and 89 years of age. Eight of these individuals had contact to a known case and one is related to travel while four remain under investigation. Douglas County now has seen 198 cases of COVID-19.

DCHD sadly can confirm a woman in her 60s with underlying health conditions has died from complications related to COVID-19. It is the sixth such death in Douglas County.

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.

DCHD's information line will be closed on Easter Sunday. The United Way's 2-1-1 Resource Hotline will be available and the Nebraska DHHS COVID-19 information line will be open from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. at (402) 552-6645 on Sunday.

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