

## To Protect, Promote and Prioritize the Health of Our Entire Community

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## Wear a Mask and Stay Home when You Can

It's time to form a new habit. When you leave your home, wear a mask. That's one simple thing everyone can do to slow the spread of COVID-19.

"Everyone has a role to play and we need everyone to help," Health Director Dr. Adi Pour said. "We can do this. Wear a mask when you leave home and stay home when you can."

On Thursday, May 7, the Health Department updated the total cases numbers received in the county to 1,205 since the start of the outbreak. DCHD is working on further data from these newest cases.

As of last (Wednesday) night, local hospitals reported 492 medical surge beds were available and 79 patients were hospitalized with COVID-19. Of the 355 ventilators available to area hospitals, 111 were in use, including 21 for confirmed COVID-19 patients. DCHD has confirmed 167 county residents have recovered from the illness.

Symptoms of COVID-19 may include, but are not limited to, a fever, cough, sore throat, severe fatigue, or difficulty breathing. In most cases, a person will have more than one symptom. If you have COVID-19 symptoms, please contact your health care provider before you go to their office and tell them how you are feeling, and discuss any possible exposure history.

"Age, obesity and a need for regular prescription drugs likely means you are at-risk for complications from this disease," Dr. Pour said.

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