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

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That Mask Can Make a Difference

The relaxing of a few restrictions due to the COVID-19 outbreak doesn't mean you should go back to the old normal. Please consider wearing a cloth mask when you are in public or going to be around other people. The Douglas County Health Department (DCHD) reminds you that: your mask protects other people, while their mask protects you.

On Sunday, May 10, the Health Department reported 156 news cases of COVID-19 in the county. DCHD is working on developing further data from these newest cases. That brings the total number of COVID-19 cases reported here to 1,596 since the start of the outbreak.

DCDH also sadly must report two additional deaths. A woman in her 50s and a man in his 80s, both with comorbidities, have passed due to complications from COVID-19. They are the 19th and 20th deaths related to the disease in the county.

As of Saturday night, local hospitals reported 491 medical surge beds were available and 95 patients were hospitalized with COVID-19. Of the 370 ventilators available to area hospitals, 135 were in use, including 31 for confirmed COVID-19 patients. DCHD has confirmed 228 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.

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