



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

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Please – Continue Social Distancing

While a few restrictions from the COVID-19 outbreak are being relaxed, the need to continue social distancing remains essential. Please limit gatherings to ten people or fewer, and maintain six feet between individuals in all settings.

On Saturday, May 9, the Health Department reported 147 news cases of COVID-19 in the county. That brings the total number of cases reported here to 1,440 since the start of the outbreak. DCHD is working on further data from these newest cases.

DCHD also must confirm another death. A man in his 60s who had COVID-19 has died. The Health Department is not aware of any underlying conditions.

As of last (Friday) night, local hospitals reported 468 medical surge beds were available and 93 patients were hospitalized with COVID-19. Of the 370 ventilators available to area hospitals, 133 were in use, including 29 for confirmed COVID-19 patients. DCHD has confirmed 197 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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