



POTTAWATTAMIE COUNTY
PUBLIC HEALTH

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POTTAWATTAMIE COUNTY NEW COVID-19 CASES

On May 13, Pottawattamie County Public Health (PCPH) reported 15 new COVID-19 cases. Twelve of the new cases are residents of Council Bluffs, and three are residents of Oakland. One of the cases is a child (0-18), nine individuals are 18-40 years old, two are 41-60 years old, two are 61-80 years old, and one is an elderly adult (80+).

The total of COVID-19 cases in Pottawattamie County is now 106. Currently, 54 individuals are self-isolating, one is hospitalized, 48 have recovered, one has moved out-of-state, and there have been two deaths. Based on PCPH contact tracing investigations, 38 Pottawattamie County COVID-19 cases are the result of community spread.

PCPH continues to conduct contact tracing investigations for each COVID-19 case. If and when a risk to the general public is identified, PCPH will publicly identify the location and communicate any actions the public should take.

For additional information, including case demographics filtered by county, visit the Iowa Department of Public Health's COVID-19 dashboard at coronavirus.iowa.gov. The dashboard is updated daily and contains Iowa's total number of cases, recoveries, deaths, tests conducted, and epidemiological curve.

Because we have community spread of COVID-19, individuals should take precautions to protect themselves. Stay home as much as possible, limit travel and shopping, practice social distancing by staying at least six feet away from others. Wash hands and disinfect frequently touched surfaces multiple times per day. If you are sick, stay home.

Iowans are still encouraged to go to www.testiowa.com and complete the assessment. TestIowa is an initiative designed to increase the rate of COVID-19 testing in Iowa.

If you have COVID-19 symptoms or develop symptoms (fever, cough, shortness of breath), contact your healthcare provider before going to the doctor's office or an emergency room.

COVID-19 Resources:

www.TestIowa.com

[Pottawattamie County EMA COVID-19](#)

[UPDATED: State of Iowa Coronavirus Dashboard](#)

[Iowa Department of Public Health](#)

[Center for Disease Control and Prevention](#)

COVID-19 Hotlines:

Iowa COVID-19 Hotline: 2-1-1 or 1-800-244-7431

Pottawattamie County Emergency Management Agency COVID-19 Hotline: 712-890-5368 or 712-890-5369

Hope 4 Iowa Crisis Hotline: 844-673-4469

Your Life Iowa - Everyday Life Support: Call 855-581-8111 or Text 855-895-8398 or visit www.yourlifeiowa.org

Methodist Health System Hotline and Screening Tool: 402-815-SICK (7425)

CHI Health Hotline: Visit www.chihealth.com for information

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