

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE May 12, 2020 POTTAWATTAMIE COUNTY NEW COVID-19 CASES

On May 12, Pottawattamie County Public Health (PCPH) reported six new COVID-19 cases. Four of the new cases are residents of Council Bluffs, one is a resident of Carson, and one is a resident of Treynor. Four individuals are 18-40 years old, one is 41-60 years old, and one is 61-80 years old. The total of COVID-19 cases in Pottawattamie County is now 91. Currently, 43 individuals are self-isolating, one is hospitalized, 44 have recovered, one moved out-of-state, and there have been two deaths.

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

PCPH continues to conduct contact tracing investigations for each COIVD-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.

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.

lowans are still encouraged to go to www.testlowa.com and complete the assessment. Testlowa is an initiative designed to dramatically 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.Testlowa.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 - Every Day 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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