



Johnson County Emergency Operations Center
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Current Updates 4/07/20

JOHNSON COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER (EOC)

The **Emergency Operations Center** holds a **Press Briefing at 9:30 a.m.** on Fridays.

Questions regarding Covid-19 can be directed to our office.

Phone: **307-425-6560**

Email: jcwy covid19eoc@gmail.com

Website: www.johnsoncountywyoming.org/covid-19

Grocery Store Guidelines. The EOC reminds the community to protect our Grocery Workers by respecting the following guidelines:

- Please enter the grocery store one at a time
- Only one individual per family in the store
- Keep the recommended six feet distance in the aisles as well as checkout lines

Travelers from out of state. Governor Gordon issued a directive that asks travelers who enter Wyoming from out-of-state to self-isolate for fourteen days in order to protect our citizens.

Cloth facemasks. Cloth facemasks do not protect the wearer from the COVID virus, but do cut down on transmission. Follow social distancing guidelines and practice good hand hygiene.

JOHNSON COUNTY HEALTHCARE CENTER

COVID-19 Status

- Wyoming has 221 confirmed cases. This figure includes 62 documented recoveries. Johnson County has 8 confirmed cases; 7 have recovered. 1 still self-isolated.
- In Wyoming,
 - 38.9% of cases - contact with a known case
 - 14.8% of cases - exposed with domestic travel
 - 17% cases - unknown cause
 - 19% - under investigation

Donations Sought

- **Reusable gowns.** The John and Amie Auxiliary and other local residents are making reusable protective gowns. Contact Lois Peterson (307-684-9160) for information on sewing gowns.
- **Cloth Facemasks.** Given new CDC guidelines, JCHC is now accepting handmade cloth masks for use by community members while in our facility. If you are interested in sewing facemasks for our community members or for use at JCHC, please refer to JCHC's website for CDC-approved patterns and donation information.
- **Blood Donation.** Healthy people are strongly encouraged to donate blood on April 20 from 12:30 – 6:00pm at the Johnson County Fairgrounds due to the growing blood supply shortage in the US. Contact www.bloodhero.com to make an appointment.

WYOMING HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

The Wyoming High School Athletic Association has cancelled all spring sports.

Prior Updates

(Due to the Increased Number of Updates, the EOC Press Release will carry items for two releases only.)

JOHNSON COUNTY HEALTHCARE CENTER

Patient Care

- Patients are welcome to seek care at JCHC. **Please call the clinic (684-2228) or hospital (684-5521) prior to arriving if you are ill. If you have an actual health emergency, then come to the emergency room.**
- All major services are available, including emergency room, clinic, lab, radiology, physical/occupational/speech therapies, obstetrics, home health and hospice.
- We are postponing elective surgeries and utilizing telehealth for certain primary care and rehabilitation services in order to conserve supplies and help slow the spread of the virus.

Amie Holt Care Center:

- The nursing home does not have COVID-19 at this time and remains on lockdown in order to limit potential infection. Families are encouraged to work with AHCC staff to arrange telephone, video and other approved communication methods with loved ones.

Patient Testing

- JCHC has received more testing supplies and is testing more individuals. Testing does not change treatment of COVID-19. JCHC follows State criteria for testing patients.
- Adhering to guidelines for social distancing, isolation and hand hygiene are key to individual and community health during the outbreak.

CITY COUNCIL

- **Mikesell-Potts Recreation area** is closed to overnight camping. Lake DeSmet recreational areas are open to day use only. Please follow Social Distancing Guidelines.
- A **Special City Council Meeting** will be held Tuesday, April 7, 5 - 6 pm.

BUFFALO GOLF COURSE

- The Buffalo Golf Course will be open with special Covid-19 guidelines including one person/cart unless from the same household; no course restrooms; no food and beverage service. Complete Covid-Guidelines posted on the Buffalo Golf Club Facebook page.

EOC releases will be published daily as needed.

For further questions, contact the Johnson County Emergency Operations Center: **307-425-6560**.

For the most current information, please visit www.johnsoncountywyoming.org/covid-19.

A COVID-19 response email has been set up for Johnson County: jcwycovid19eoc@gmail.com.