



Johnson County Emergency Operations Center  
Johnson County Public Health  
Press Release  
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### **COVID-19 still in Johnson County**

Effective February 22, 2021, Johnson County Commissioner's, Johnson County Attorney, and the Johnson County Health Officer, received approval from the State Health Officer, of county wide variances, eliminating all state health mandates except for face coverings, social distancing, and crowd limitations **in schools**. This was based off the data concerning improving conditions and increasing vaccinations for Johnson County. Johnson County Public Health and the Johnson County Healthcare Center still require face coverings to enter. This does not mean that COVID-19 is gone, or going away soon. As more and more residents become vaccinated, conditions will keep improving. As of today, there are 4 active COVID-19 cases in Johnson County. Residents are urged to stay the course of masking, social distancing and proper hand hygiene to avoid the spread of COVID-19 in our community. If you feel you may have symptoms of COVID-19 please continue to see the providers in our community for testing.

### **Glitch in COVID-19 cases reported**

On February 25, 2021 the Wyoming Department of Health reported to Johnson County Public Health a backlog of unreported positive cases of COVID-19. These 90 cases dated back to November 2020. All of these cases were recovered as of the date reported to the county. These numbers were added to the total number of cases for the entirety of the pandemic.

### **Vaccination Update**

Johnson County Public Health, along with Corner Stone Pharmacy and the Buffalo Prescription Shop have moved into phase 1C of vaccinations. This adds those with asthma, high blood pressure, liver disease, and those overweight with a BMI over 25. Also, Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce who are unable to physically

distance or telework. These workers generally include those involved with critical manufacturing, energy, legal, communications and information technology, financial services, chemical workers, other community of government-based operations and essential functions, water and wastewater, transportation and logistics, law enforcement, public safety, and other first responders, education, food and agriculture, public works, and infrastructure support and services, hygiene products and services, residential/shelter facilities, housing and real estate, and related services, hazardous materials, healthcare and public health, commercial facilities, defense industrial based. Also included in 1B are care givers to someone who is high risk of COVID-19. A full list of all the phases can be found at <https://health.wyo.gov/publichealth/immunization/wyoming-covid-19-vaccine-information/>.

A reminder of the pre-registration site at:

<https://health.wyo.gov/publichealth/immunization/wyoming-covid-19-vaccine-information/county-covid-19-vaccine-information/>.

This does not guarantee an appointment, it is only a list being sent back to Johnson County for outreach when that person becomes eligible. If you believe you are eligible, and have pre-registered, please reach out to JCPH or your pharmacy if you have not received a call to schedule an appointment.

### **Vaccine Reminders:**

- Side effects are expected after the Moderna vaccination. This is your body's way of building immunity to COVID-19.
- Please bring your insurance card and ID to your appointment. There is NO CHARGE for the vaccination to you, but the provider may bill insurance for the administration fee of the vaccine.
- Those vaccinated still need to wear a face covering, social distance, and practice good hand hygiene.
- Don't forget to show up at your scheduled appointment for your second dose. We are requesting you receive your second dose from the same

provider who gave your first vaccination, **to ensure the second dose is available**. The second dose is important to acquire the 94% effective rate.

- Please be aware of where you are receiving vaccine information.  
[www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov) has the most accurate and timely information.

For the most up to date numbers of positive COVID-19 cases, please visit [health.wyo.gov](http://health.wyo.gov) and click on COVID-19.

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For the most current information, please visit [www.johnsoncountywyoming.org/covid-19](http://www.johnsoncountywyoming.org/covid-19).  
COVID-19 response email for Johnson County: [jcwycovid19eoc@gmail.com](mailto:jcwycovid19eoc@gmail.com).  
For further questions, contact the Johnson County Emergency Operations Center:  
**307-425-6560**, or Johnson County Public Health: **307-684-2564**