Outagamie County Public Health (OCPH)  
Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Update  
Wednesday, March 18, 2020

BY THE NUMBERS

- 1 – Confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Outagamie County
- 28 – Pending test results in Outagamie County
- 106 – Confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Wisconsin (as of 2:30pm, 3/18/20)

KEY POINTS

- Outagamie County (OC) has one (1) confirmed case of COVID-19. The individual is under isolation and close contacts have been identified and monitored by OCPH.
- Currently, OC does not have community spread.
- WI Department of Health Services (DHS) has reported community spread in Milwaukee, Dane, and Kenosha Counties. This means there are people who have tested positive for COVID-19 and it is unknown what their exposure has been.
- Wisconsin has 106 positive cases, 1577 negative tests as of 2:30 pm March 18, 2020,
- Governor Evers announced Emergency Order #5 issued by DHS Secretary-designee Andrea Palm on March 17, 2020 prohibiting mass gatherings of 10 or more people. Many services and businesses must close.
  - Essential services and businesses will remain open including childcare, hotels and motels, government, food pantries and shelter facilities, residential buildings, and retail (such as grocery stores, gas stations and restaurants)
  - Restaurants are able to provide drive thru, pick-up and delivery service.
- United Way’s 2-1-1 service is now accepting calls for questions related to COVID-19 that are non-medical. They can provide resources on issues such as:
  - Food delivery for home bound seniors
  - Transportation options
  - Nutrition programs for children who rely on free and reduced meals at school
  - Information on emerging resources in the community
- OC has closed all non-essential departments and/or divisions for the week of March 16-20, 2020. Many employees are working from home.
  - Brewster Village is currently closed to all visitors.
  - OC Jail is currently closed to all visitors.
  - WIC office is closed for in-person visits. WIC staff are working from home and calling participants to provide benefits. For WIC related questions, please call 920-832-5109 or email hhswic@outagamie.org
  - OC Courts are open.
RESOURCES AND INFORMATION

- Visit [www.Outagamie.org/PublicHealth](http://www.Outagamie.org/PublicHealth) for updates and links to reliable information and guidance on COVID-19
- Visit and “Like” our Facebook page for current updates [www.Facebook.com/OCPublicHealth](http://www.Facebook.com/OCPublicHealth)
- The [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](https://www.cdc.gov) is a reliable source of information, including what to do if you are sick.

CURRENT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE COMMUNITY

- Practice social distancing. This is a technique to slow the spread of infectious diseases. Social distancing means staying home as much as possible in order to avoid other people.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a flexed elbow or disposable tissue and wash your hands.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, mouth, and close contact with people who are sick.
- Clean and disinfect common areas both at home and in the workplace (i.e. door handles, bathrooms, tables).
- Practice self-care to deal with stress and anxiety. It can be as simple as small things throughout your day like deep breaths, a hot shower, sleep, tea, or connecting with a friend.