Outagamie County Public Health (OCPH)
Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Update
Friday, March 20, 2020

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BY THE NUMBERS

- 2 – Confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Outagamie County Public Health jurisdiction
- 28 – Pending test results for Outagamie County Public Health
- 206 – Confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Wisconsin (as of 2:30pm, 3/20/20)

KEY POINTS

- Outagamie County (OC) has two (2) confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the jurisdiction of OCPH. The individuals are under isolation and close contacts are being identified and monitored by OCPH.

- Wisconsin has 206 positive cases, 3455 negative tests as of 2:30 pm March 20, 2020.

- Governor Evers announced there is community spread in Wisconsin during a radio address March 19, 2020. Department of Health Services has identified community spread in Brown, Columbia, Dane, Kenosha, and Milwaukee Counties. This means there are people who have tested positive for COVID-19 and it is unknown what their exposure has been.

- The Department of Health Services (DHS) has released a memo with important information for recipients of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) from the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS).

- The President’s Coronavirus Guidelines for America – 15 Days to Slow the Spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) has been released and is available at whitehouse.gov

- Governor Evers is mandating all childcare centers may not operate with more than 10 staff and 50 children present at a time. Emergency Order #6

- 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.
  - Mass Gathering FAQs
For non-medical questions, United Way’s 2-1-1 service 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
- Contact:
  - Text COVID19 to 211-211
  - Call 211
  - Visit 211Wisconsin.org

Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program
- WIC services will continue for current WIC participants through phone contacts. Specifically, WIC is:
  - Providing nutrition education and issue food benefits for all appointments
  - Providing a 30-day benefit extension to infants and children who are due to be recertified on the program.
- Please Note:
  - WIC staff are calling from cellphones and will leave a new call back number. Please contact them at that number to decrease the calls to the office.
  - Infants less than 8 weeks old will be certified by phone. Please call the office to report the birth and we will follow up with you.
  - If you are able to send a message please send an email to hhswic@outagamie.org. During this time this may be the most efficient way to contact participants. Please include a phone number for us to contact you at.
- WIC is starting a wait list of people who would like to enroll in WIC or are past due for certifications.

All non-essential OC departments and/or divisions will remain closed indefinitely. 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 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
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention 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.