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Sarpy/Cass County Health Department Provides Updates on Recently Confirmed Cases of COVID-19

PAPILLION – The Sarpy/Cass Health Department confirmed four new cases of COVID-19 yesterday, March 23. Three individuals are Sarpy County residents and one individual resides in Cass County. Of the four cases, three were travel related and one case was community acquired.

All identified close contacts have been contacted and will self-quarantine and be actively monitored twice daily by public health officials for fever and respiratory symptoms.

This is the second case of community spread in the Health Department's jurisdiction and the fifth case in the Omaha Metro. The Department is urging residents to continue to follow the recommended practices that reduce the spread of COVID-19;

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick and if you are ill stay home.
- Put distance between yourself and other – around 6 feet.
- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Avoid touching your mouth, nose, or eyes.
- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touch surfaces.

Public health partners across the state continue to take action to protect the health of Nebraskans. The Sarpy/Cass Health Department will continue to update our community as new information becomes available.

For more information about COVID-19 please visit www.sarpycasshealthdepartment.org or <http://dhhs.ne.gov/coronavirus> or call 211.

Current Case Count

Sarpy: 6

Cass: 2

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