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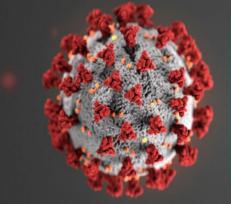
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Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)



Montana is reporting no cases and is closely monitoring the situation.

2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

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Montana state and local public health officials are monitoring the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) situation very closely.

Currently, there are no reported COVID-19 cases in Montana.

To help prevent the spread of COVID-19 and other respiratory illnesses, you can take simple steps to protect yourself and your family.

- Stay home if you're sick,
- Avoid contact with sick people when possible,
- Cover your cough and sneezes with the crook of your elbow or a tissue
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth and wash your hands frequently
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe

Call ahead to a healthcare professional if you develop a fever and symptoms of respiratory illness, such as cough or difficulty breathing, and have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19 or if you live in or have recently traveled to an area with ongoing spread. Tell your healthcare professional about your recent travel or contact. Your healthcare professional will work with your state's public health department and CDC to determine if you need to be tested for COVID-19. Find out more at: <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/steps-when-sick.html</u>

You can contact your <u>local county or tribal health department</u> for questions regarding COVID-19, testing or what may be occurring in your community.

Montana DPHHS COVID-19 public health monitoring and testing

Reported COVID-19 Cases in Montana

Individuals monitored by public health

- Individuals who have completed monitoring process

- Individuals who remain under monitoring

Persons tested for CoVID-19*

- Persons with negative results

- Persons with positive results

Information is updated daily by 5 pm, Monday - Friday

*Persons tested include:

- those who have symptoms of concern AND may have traveled to an area experiencing community transmission, OR
- are syptomatic and a close contact to a known or suspected case in the past 14 days, OR
- are exhibiting symptoms of a compatible illness without other cause after medical examination.

Patients tested may not have been under monitoring at the time of testing. Testing numbers include only those tested at the Montana Public Health Laboratory and/or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).



Important Announcements

- DPHHS HAN message 3/9/2020: <u>Update and Interim Guidance on Outbreak of Coronavirus</u> <u>Disease 2019 (COVID-19)</u>
- DPHHS HAN message 3/4/2020: <u>Update and Interim Guidance on Outbreak of Coronavirus</u> <u>Disease 2019 (COVID-19)</u>
- DPHHS Press Release 3/3/2020: Governor Bullock Activates Coronavirus Task Force to

Bolster State's Preparations

- DPHHS HAN message 3/2/2020: <u>Update and Interim Guidance on Outbreak of Coronavirus</u> <u>Disease 2019 (COVID-19)</u>
- DPHHS HAN message 2/28/2020: <u>COVID-19 Outbreak Update and Updated Guidance</u> <u>Related to Evaluation of Patients Under Investigation PUIs</u>
- DPHHS HAN message 2/3/2020: <u>Update and Interim Guidance on Outbreak of 2019 Novel</u> <u>Coronavirus (2019-nCoV)</u>
- DPHHS HAN message 01/22/2020: <u>Updated and Interim Guidance on Outbreak of 2019</u> <u>Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) in Wuhan, China</u>
- DPHHS HAN message 01/13/2020: CDC Notification of Outbreak of Pneumonia of Unknown Etiology (PUE) in Wuhan, China
- About 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)
- Environmental Cleaning and Disinfection Recommendations
- Information for Communities
- Information for Childcare Programs and K-12 Schools
- Information for Higher Education
- Information for Employers
- Information for Healthcare Professionals
- Information for Laboratories
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- Information for Travelers
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