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Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

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On March 12, 2020 Washington State Governor Jay Inslee announced that all schools in King, Snohomish, and Pierce counties will close from Tuesday, March 17 through Friday, April 24. The decision was made in response to the spread of COVID-19 in the Washington counties hit hardest by the virus. With this in mind, we've created resources for child cares and families for how to care for children while school is out.

This a critical moment in the growing outbreak of COVID-19 in King County. Public Health — Seattle & King County is working closely with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to protect the public's health.

We understand these actions will have a tremendous impact on all members of our community. These efforts are meant to slow the spread of novel coronavirus and reduce the number of people infected.

👉 **New limits on large gatherings, other emergency strategies to slow the spread of COVID-19**
Our translated Public Health Recommendations (located in the right column) are in the process of being updated. Please check back frequently.

☛ **What to do if you have a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19**

> ⚠ **UPDATE: March 13, 2020 at 2:00 pm**
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> King County Public Health has confirmed cases of novel coronavirus, as seen in other parts of the world and U.S. The majority of these illnesses are mild, with fever and cough. A much smaller percentage of cases are severe and involve pneumonia, particularly in elderly people and people with underlying medical conditions. **This is a quickly evolving situation and this site will be updated frequently.**
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> ### Case updates updated Mar. 13, 2020
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> - **Number of confirmed cases:** 328
> - **Number of deaths:** 32
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> *See related press release:*
> **Update COVID-19 in King County for March 13, 2020**
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> - **Guidelines for events fewer than 250 people**
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> - **Retail Business Preparedness and Planning for COVID-19**
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> - **Additional updates:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Washington State Dept. of Health

> 📞 **King County Novel Coronavirus Call Center**
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> - If you are in King County and believe you were exposed to COVID-19—or if you're a healthcare provider with COVID-19 questions—contact our call center between 8 AM to 7 PM PST at 206-477-3977.
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> - For general questions about COVID-19 in Washington State, please call the Washington State Novel Coronavirus Call Center at 800-525-0127.
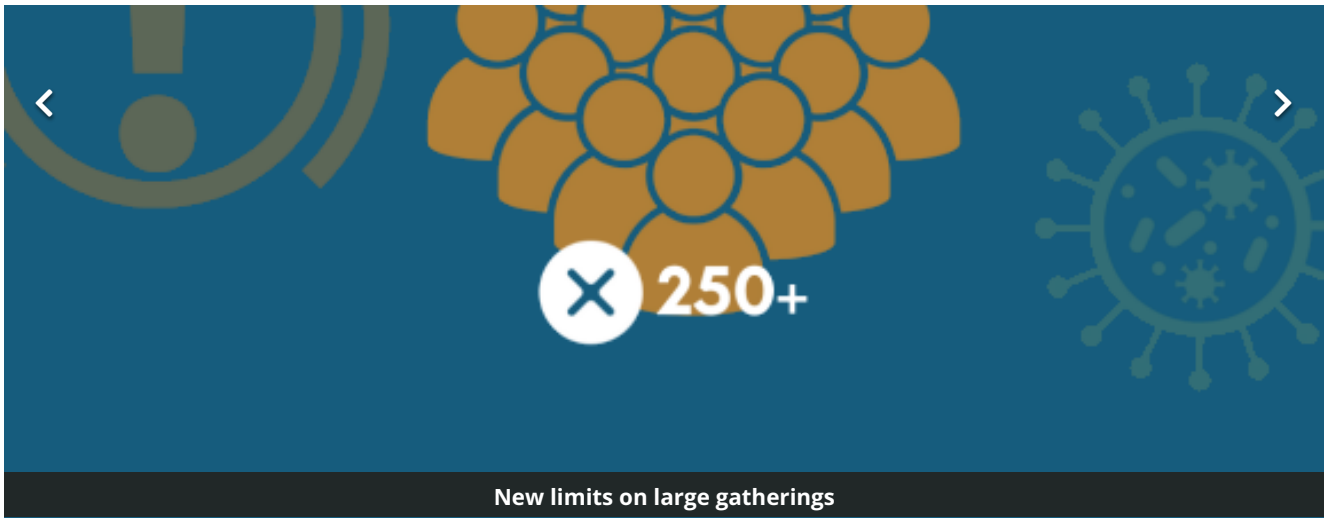>
> **When to seek medical evaluation and advice**
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> - If you have a cough, fever, or other respiratory problems, speak with your healthcare provider before going to a medical facility. Do not go to an emergency room.
> - If you believe you are experiencing life-threatening symptoms, call 9-1-1.

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New limits on large gatherings

Visit the *Public Health Insider* blog for more articles on COVID-19.

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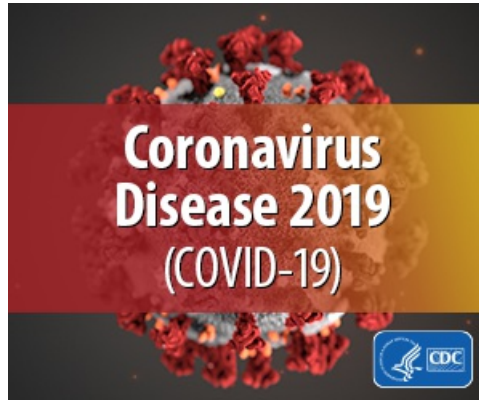Somali / af Soomaali

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