

# Infectious Disease Epidemiology Unit

Conducts surveillance for infectious diseases and investigates clusters and outbreaks

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## Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)



At this time there are 16 reported Wyoming cases.

The Wyoming Department of Health is closely monitoring the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak.

The symptoms reported with this disease are familiar to all of us: fever, cough and shortness of breath. However, this is a continually changing situation.

While most people will likely not experience serious illness related to COVID-19, our highest

level of concern involves older residents and people with certain health conditions that put them at higher risk of developing a serious or life-threatening illness.

Wyoming residents should follow our department's recommendations meant to help them avoid becoming ill and to help them avoid spreading COVID-19 to those who are most vulnerable.

We should all work together to help keep our friends and neighbors safe.

[Click here to find COVID-19 Information for Healthcare Providers.](#)

- **Stay home when sick and avoid contact with other people unless you need medical attention.**
- Follow advice from CDC on [what to do if you think you may be sick](#).
- Follow common-sense steps such as washing your hands often and well; covering your coughs and sneezes; and cleaning and disinfecting.
- Nursing homes and other healthcare facilities should closely follow guidelines for infection control and prevention.
- As much as possible, assisted living facilities should follow the same infection control and prevention practices as nursing homes.
- Older people and those with health conditions that mean they have a higher chance of getting seriously ill should avoid crowds or close-contact situations.
- Follow current social distancing guidelines.

#### **Testing Numbers – 3/18/20 (a.m.)**

Tests completed at Wyoming Public Health Laboratory: 181

Tests completed at CDC lab: 1

Test results reported by commercial labs: 11

Confirmed cases: 16 (updated 3/18/20 p.m.)

Counties with confirmed cases: Sheridan, Fremont, Laramie, Park

## **Helpful Links and Notices**

### **General Information**

[Learn more about coronavirus disease 2019 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#)

(CDC information includes [prevention strategies](#), case counts, [frequently asked questions and answers](#), travel guidance.)

[Read CDC's travel information recommendations.](#)

[Read the most recent news release from the Wyoming Department of Health about coronavirus disease 2019](#)

### **Selected CDC Guidance Information**

[Read guidance information for schools and childcare facilities](#)

[Read guidance information for higher education](#)

[Read guidance information for businesses and employers](#)

## Questions?

If you are sick, please contact your healthcare provider. Wyoming residents with general questions about COVID-19 may send an email to [wdh.covid19@wyo.gov](mailto:wdh.covid19@wyo.gov).

Public health nurses can be a helpful source of information. Learn how to contact [Wyoming's public health nursing county offices](#).

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