# Infectious Disease Epidemiology Unit

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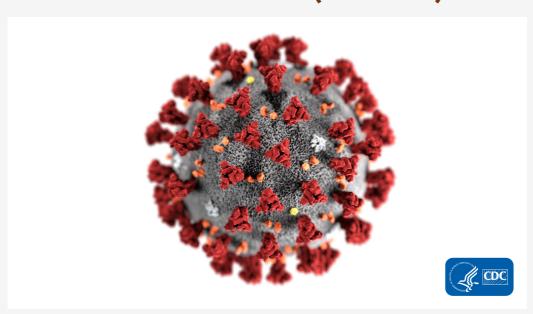
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At this time there are 17 reported Wyoming cases.

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 Wyoming 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**

3/19/20 (8:30 a.m.)

Tests completed at Wyoming Public Health Laboratory: 238

Tests completed at CDC lab: 1

Test results reported by commercial labs: 12

(WDH can only verify properly reported commercial lab information.)

Confirmed cases: 17

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

## **Helpful Links and Notices**

#### **General Information**

Learn more about coronavirus disease 2019 from the Centers from Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

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

#### **Selected CDC Guidance Information**

Read CDC's travel recommendations

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.

Public health nurses can be a helpful source of information. Learn how to contactWyoming's public health nursing county offices.

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