

PSA Release

North Central District Health Department (NCDHD) represents the following counties:
Antelope, Boyd, Brown, Cherry, Holt, Keya Paha, Knox, Pierce, and Rock



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NCDHD COVID-19 Updates

Public Service Announcement

North Central District Health Department (NCDHD) has been made aware of 2 new COVID-19 cases in the district since last reporting period on 5/4/2021: 0-Antelope, 0-Boyd, 0-Brown, 0-Cherry, 1-Holt, 0-Keya Paha, 0-Knox, 1-Pierce, 0-Rock. NCDHD encourages district residents to continue to wear your mask in public places or where social distancing is difficult as well as practice social distancing while out in public. With recent public gatherings and school events coming up in the near future, continue to monitor for signs and symptoms for COVID-19. During this time of year many people struggle with allergies, sinus infections, and common colds. If you have any questions regarding symptoms you have developed, please call your primary care provider or the health department.

NCDHD is pleased to report 45 additional recoveries since last reporting: Antelope: 15, Holt: 13, Pierce: 5, Knox: 10, Brown: 2

Test Nebraska Clinics will only be held in O'Neill on Mondays from 8:30 AM -10:30 AM at the O'Neill Armory. Please enter the clinic through the alley south of the Armory. To sign up for a testing time visit testnebraska.com.

NCDHD has the following clinic times available for walk-ins during the noted times below. If you already have a scheduled appointment time for a clinic on this list, please arrive at that scheduled time. Please note any location updates. These clinics will be dispensing **Pfizer (P)**, **Johnson & Johnson (J)** and/or **Moderna (M)** vaccine. Please note by the location which clinic will be offering which vaccine.

Walk in Time	Clinic Date	Location
10a – 5p	7-May	Evergreen Independent Living M&P
4p - 6p	10-May	O'Neill Armory P
4p - 6p	11-May	Tilden Auditorium J & P
12p - 2:30p	12- May	Mid Plains College (Valentine) M
12p - 2p	13- May	Antelope County Fair Grounds (Neligh) M

If you have received a first dose of vaccine through an NCDHD clinic and have not received a call to schedule your second dose, please call our office to schedule an appointment. Still have questions regarding the vaccines? Getvaccineanswers.org is a great resource for wanting to know more and getting informed.

Update on COVID Vaccine in the NCDHD District:

- Fully vaccinated= 13,552
- Partially vaccinated= 1,064
- Total doses administered= 28,167
- Fully vaccinated that is 16+= 37.7%

On May 6th, 2021 Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services released updated Directed Health Measures effective May 6th through May 31st. Changes to the DHM include two updates. First, it is no longer a requirement in the DHMs to submit large event plans to Local Health Departments. Secondly, updates to Isolation and Quarantine in the “Specific exceptions for School Aged Individuals” section. This change reads:

- **Specific exceptions for School Aged Individuals:**

For School Aged Individuals who have had close contact with a person(s) whom has developed or during the 48 hours prior to the person developing one or more of the following symptoms: a sudden onset of a cough, sudden onset of shortness of breath or sudden loss of taste or smell; or whom has developed or during the 48 hours prior to the person developing two or more of the following symptoms: a fever of 100.4 or above, chills, muscle aches, headache, sore throat, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea or fatigue or with a person whom has tested positive for COVID-19 or during the 48 hours prior the person testing positive for COVID-19 whichever event occurs earlier, may meet the following Conditions In Lieu of Quarantine*:

- appropriately wear a face covering or mask for 14 days following exposure AND
- practice social distancing **AND**
- self-monitor twice daily for fever and other symptoms listed above for fourteen days and have no symptom development

***If symptom development occurs within the 14 day quarantine period or Conditions In Lieu of Quarantine, please refer to Isolation instructions.**

To view the full DHM visit dhhs.ne.gov and click LEARN and follow the page to Directed Health Measures. Additionally, FAQs on the recent change to quarantine and isolation can be found on this page.

Any persons who were placed or currently are in quarantine or isolation prior to 5/6/2021 should follow directions given during their case investigation.

Case count update as of 5/6/2021 at 3:00 PM: 4,491 Total Cases (TC), 4,372 (R), 73 Deaths (D), and 31 total cases reported in the last 14 days. A reminder that Total Case (TC) numbers are represented first, and of those total cases the number of Recovered (R) persons is represented second, and total case related Deaths (D) is represented third. **Adjustment to Antelope County recoveries from last reporting due to data error.

Antelope: TC: 605, R: 584, D:7
Boyd: TC: 188, R:184, D:3
Brown: TC 280, R: 276, D:4
Cherry: TC: 434, R: 423, D:8
Holt: TC: 908, R: 878, D: 15

Keya Paha: TC: 51, R: 50, D: 0
Knox: TC: 1,149, R: 1,128, D: 13
Pierce: TC: 724, R: 692, D: 21
Rock: TC: 154, R: 152, D:2

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