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NCDHD COVID-19 Updates

Public Service Announcement

North Central District Health Department (NCDHD) has been made aware of 166 new COVID-19 cases in the district since last reporting period on 11/8/2021.

Need a COVID-19 test? Cherry County Hospital is offering FREE rapid COVID-19 testing. This service will be offered Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 2p-3p. To register, a patient should call Cherry County Hospital 402-376-2525 or Cherry County Clinic 402-376-3770 and press pound to be connected to the registration voicemail. Cut off for registration is 12pm the day of testing.

Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines have been approved for **children aged 5-11 years old**. NCDHD will be offering these at NCDHD sponsored vaccine clinics. Important things to note about the 5–11-year-old Pfizer vaccines:

- A **2nd dose is required** 21-42 days after first dose to attain maximum immunity.
- NCDHD will REQUIRE children under 12 years of age to have a parent, guardian, or other trusted family member/friend over age 19 accompany them at clinic.
- A parent or guardian **must** sign the child's vaccination form.

NCDHD will have booster doses available for persons that received Moderna, Janssen or Johnson & Johnson, or Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines who meet the criteria. Eligible persons will be able to get a single booster dose once their primary vaccination series is complete. The following criteria must be met:

- Must be over 18 years of age.
- Must have completed a primary 2-dose series of either Moderna or Pfizer at least 6 months ago, or a primary 1-dose of Janssen (Johnson & Johnson) at least 2 months ago
- Fall into one of the following groups:
 - 65 years of age and older
 - \circ $\,$ 18 through 64 years of age at high risk of severe COVID-19 $\,$
 - 18 through 64 years of age with frequent institutional or occupational exposure to SARSCoV-2

If all criteria are met above, eligible persons may choose to receive any authorized or approved vaccine booster dose currently available, Moderna, Pfizer or Janssen (Johnson & Johnson), regardless of which primary series they received.

NCDHD will begin offering these at our clinics. Please bring your insurance card or a copy of the front and back with you to clinic. To save time at clinic, you can print a consent form on our website, <u>www.ncdhd.ne.gov</u> these will be available at clinic if you are not able to do this before.

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.

NCDHD Sponsored Clinics

Week of Nov 16-Nov 22 2021							
Pierce HS Cafeteria	all	1:30 p-5:30 p	16-Nov				
Santee Community School	all	10 a-12 p	17-Nov				
Niobrara School	all	1:30 p-5 p	17-Nov				
NCDHD Office-422 E. Douglas St. O'Neill	all	9 a-4 p	18-Nov				

Blue indicates NCDHD will be offering COVID, flu, Tdap, Pneumonia, and Shingles vaccines. Yellow indicates the time and/or location has changed since last reporting.

NCDHD Area Clinics

Week of Nov 16-Nov 22 2021						
Avera Creighton Hospital	Moderna	1 p-3 p	16-Nov			
Rock County Clinic-call 402-684-2906 for an appointment	Moderna	1 p-4:30 p	16-Nov			
Greater Sandhills Family Healthcare-Bassett	all	9 a-11:30 a, 1 p-4:30 p	17-Nov			
AMH Family Practice, Neligh-call 402-887-5440 for appointment	Moderna	9:30 a-3 p	17-Nov			
Ainsworth Family Clinic- call (402)-387-1900 for an appointment	181	2 p-4 p	17-Nov			
Plainview Family Pharmacy	Moderna	10 a-2 p	18-Nov			
West Holt Hospital	all	11 a-4:45 p	19-Nov			
Week of Nov 23-Nov 29 2021						
Avera Creighton Hospital	Moderna	1 p-3 p	23-Nov			
Rock County Clinic-call 402-684-2906 for an appointment	Moderna	1 p-4:30 p	23-Nov			
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Greater Sandhills Family Healthcare-Atkinson	all	р-4:30 р	23-Nov			
AMH Family Practice, Neligh-call 402-887-5440 for						
appointment	Moderna	9:30 a-3 p	24-Nov			

Ainsworth Family Clinic- call (402)-387-1900 for an			
appointment	1&1	2 p-4 p	24-Nov
Cherry Co. Hospital-Specialty Clinic call 402-376-2525, ext 351			
for an appointment	Moderna	11 a-12:30 p	26-Nov
West Holt Hospital	all	11 a-4:45 p	26-Nov

Green indicates clinics to call ahead or schedule online.

Vaccine by the numbers from all sources including Federal reporting: Bureau of Prisons (BOP), Department of Defense (DOD), Indian Health Service (IHS) and Veterans Health Administration (VHA)

- total doses administered: 42,761
- fully vaccinated: 22,887
- partially vaccinate: 3,372
- 16+ vaccinated: 63.7%
- Total NCDHD district population vaccinated: 51.3%

Case count update as of 11/15/2021 at 3:00 PM: 6,330 Total Cases (TC), 5,660 Recoveries (R), and 89 Deaths (D). There have been 384 total cases reported in the last 14 days. Due to Executive Order No. 21-14 of Governor Ricketts being rescinded on October 21, 2021, NCDHD is no longer able to share county-based COVID-19 information.

Case count update for the last 7 days: 166 Cases (C), 91 Recoveries (R), 0 Deaths (D).

If interested in county-level data, the CDC has data available at <u>https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view</u> or on the DHSS website <u>https://datanexus-</u>dhhs.ne.gov/views/Covid/1 HospitalCapacity?:isGuestRedirectFromVizportal=y&:embed=y