

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 9 new COVID-19 cases in the district since last reporting period on 2/15/2021: 0-Antelope, 0-Boyd, 1- Brown, 2-Cherry, 2-Holt, 0-Keya Paha, 2-Knox, 2-Pierce, 0-Rock.

NCDHD is pleased to report 245 recoveries since the last reporting period on 2/11/2021: 41-Antelope, 13-Boyd, 16-Brown, 34-Cherry, 38-Holt, 5-Keya Paha, 65-Knox, 25-Pierce, 8-Rock.

NCDHD's TestNe COVID-19 testing times and locations starting the week of 2/8/2021 have changed to the following schedule:

- O'Neill: Monday and Wednesday from 8:30-10:30am at the O'Neill Armory. Please enter the clinic through the alley South of the Armory.
- Bassett: Mondays 1:00-3:00pm at the Rock County Fairgrounds
- Pre-registration for testing at www.testnebraska.com is highly encouraged, but not required.
- The last patient will be scheduled 15 minutes before the scheduled end of the clinic.

NCDHD regrets to inform the district that planned shipments of the COVID-19 vaccine for vaccination clinics will not be arriving in the district as scheduled due to sub-zero weather conditions and power outages. Affected COVID-19 vaccine clinics have been or will be rescheduled to a later date. Appointment times and locations will remain the same on the new clinic dates unless otherwise communicated. NCDHD expects that vaccine shipping delays may impact vaccine clinics into next week, February 22nd-26th.

The following clinics have been rescheduled:

- Neligh clinic scheduled for Wednesday, Feb 17th has been rescheduled for Monday, Feb 22nd
- Bloomfield 1st and 2nd dose clinics for Thursday Feb 18th have been rescheduled for Tuesday, Feb 23rd
- Pierce 2nd dose clinic scheduled for Thursday, Feb 18th has been rescheduled for Wednesday, Feb 24th
- O’Neill 2nd dose scheduled for Friday, Feb 19th has been rescheduled for Friday, Feb 26th

Due to the number of clinics and appointments scheduled NCDHD relies on an automated service for notifying those who are scheduled for appointments. District residents with appointments for upcoming clinics should expect an automated phone call from 402-336-2406 to the contact information provided through the registration process detailing clinic status information or further instructions. If you receive an automated call from NCDHD and your same appointment time **will not** work for you on the rescheduled date, please call NCDHD at 402-336-2406. Otherwise, no call back is needed. NCDHD asks for the patience and understanding of the district residents as we work to resolve issues within our control during this time. District residents should continue to check local media sources for the most up-to-date information available.

NCDHD would like to take a moment to congratulate The Evergreen Assisted Living for being recognized by the ICAP COVID-19 Vaccine Wall of Honor as a Silver member for having 80% of their staff vaccinated. To view the Wall of Honor visit: icap.nebraskamed.com. NCDHD continues to encourage other area long term care facility staff to vaccinate. We hope to honor other long term care facilities in the future.

NCDHD is focusing on 65+ and tier 1 of the 1B community partners. This includes first responders, utilities, homeless shelter, corrections staff, and educators. An update of the district vaccinations administered can be found here below:

- 8,657 vaccinations administered
- 6,173 1st dose in series administered
- 2,484 2nd dose in series administered
- 6.92% of the population 16 and older completing vaccination series

For assistance completing the survey, please call the following agencies in your area: Elgin Public Library, Elgin Senior Center, Neligh Public Library, Neligh Senior Center, Ainsworth Public Library, Ainsworth Senior Center, Boyd County Senior Center, Valentine Public Library, Valentine Senior Center, Stuart Township Library, Atkinson Public Library, Atkinson Senior Center, O’Neill Chamber of Commerce, Bloomfield Public Library, Creighton Public Library, Eastern Township Library, Lied Lincoln Township Library, Verdigre Public Library, Crofton Senior Center, Osmond General Hospital, Osmond Library, Plainview Library, Plainview Senior Center, Pierce Public Library, Pierce Senior Center, Rock County Public Library, and Rock County Senior Center.

NCDHD would like to reiterate to the district that public health preventative measures have not

changed though the state has moved into the DHM "Green" phasing. NCDHD still 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.

Case count update as of 02/18/2021 at 4:00 PM: 4,225 Total Cases (TC), 2,973 Recoveries (R), 72 Deaths (D), and 44 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.

Antelope: TC: 543, R: 375, D:7 Keya Paha: TC: 46, R: 23, D: 0

Boyd: TC: 184, R:143, D:3 Knox: TC: 1,100, R: 716, D: 13

Brown: TC 273, R: 209, D:4 Pierce: TC: 695, R: 496, D: 21

Cherry: TC: 407, R: 304, D:7 Rock: TC: 149, R: 114, D:2

Holt: TC: 828, R: 593, D: 15

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