## **PSA Release**

North Central District Health Department (NCDHD) represents the following counties: Antelope, Boyd, Brown, Cherry, Holt, Keya Paha, Knox, Pierce, and Rock 422 East Douglas Street, O'Neill, NE 68763 (402) 336 - 2406 or (877) 336 - 2406

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## NCDHD COVID-19 Updates

## Public Service Announcement

North Central District Health Department (NCDHD) has been made aware of 158 cases in the district since the last reporting on 10/29: 12-Antelope; 7-Boyd; 5-Brown; 33-Cherry; 47-Holt; 0-Keya Paha; 28-Knox; 26-Pierce; 0-Rock.

NCDHD has regretfully been informed of three additional death in the district, a Holt County male in his 70s and two Pierce County females in their 70s and 80s. The NCDHD staff and administration send their sincerest condolences to the families during this time.

Effective immediately, North Central District Health Department will transition to reporting COVID-19 case counts on Mondays and Thursdays only. Recoveries will be included on the Thursday report.

Due to the influx in cases and resources and time needed to contact cases and ensure close contacts are notified, there has been a gap created in completing recovery contacts. NCDHD reaches out to each positive case before reporting the case as recovered. NCDHD is working diligently to close the gap on active cases as quickly as possible. To increase transparency with the nine-county district we serve, NCDHD will begin to report a total number of new cases received in the last 14 days to help community members understand an estimate of active cases. For 11/2, the NCDHD region has added 437 new positive COVID-19 cases in the past 14 days.

The NCDHD TestNe clinics will resume next week with the following schedule:

- Test NE Clinic Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> in O'Neill from 8:30 am 10:30 am. Use the East ally access for the drive-thru clinic in the back of the NCDHD building.
- Test NE Clinic Wednesday, November 4<sup>th</sup> in Niobrara at the Trading Post from 10:30 am – 12:30 pm.
- Test NE Clinic: Monday, November 9<sup>th</sup> in Bassett from 11am 1 pm at the fairgrounds
- Pre-registration on testnebraska.com for a testing time is preferred, but not required. Testing at these events is free.

Case count update as of 11/2/2020 at 4:00 PM: 1628 Total Cases (TC), 659 Recoveries (R), 25 Deaths (D), and 437 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: 203, R:76,D: 1
 Keya Paha: TC: 7, R: 2

 Boyd: TC: 78, R: 24
 Knox: TC: 357, R: 180, D: 1

 Brown: TC: 94, R: 43, D: 2
 Pierce: TC: 284, R: 108, D:11

 Cherry: TC: 159, R: 85, D:5
 Rock: TC: 76, R:61

 Holt: TC: 370, R: 80, D: 5
 Fierce: TC: 284, R: 108, D:11

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