



Eastern Idaho Public Health

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COVID-19 Daily Report

Tuesday, March 31, 2020

Updated: 7:15 p.m.

Positive COVID-19 Test Results

We received a report of another positive COVID-19 test result in Custer County. This individual had close contact with a person who previously tested positive for COVID-19. EIPH is investigating this case and if other people are found to have been exposed, officials from EIPH will contact them, provide them guidance, and monitor them closely for symptoms.

COVID-19 Case Counts/County

There was a reporting error for county of residence for one of the cases we reported yesterday. One of the three positive cases resides in Jefferson County but spends a considerable amount of time in Madison County where the community transmission is believed to have occurred. Therefore, we have subtracted one case from Madison County (total 4) and have added one case to Jefferson County (total 3)*.

County	Cases
Bonneville	2
Clark	0
Custer	2
Fremont	1
Jefferson*	3
Lemhi	0
Madison*	4
Teton	2
Total	14

COVID-19 General Information

The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare has opened the Idaho COVID-19 Hotline. The number is 888-330-3010 and is open Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 6:00 pm. Calling this number will help with questions clarifying the Stay at Home order issued by Governor Little, specifically questions on essential vs non-essential businesses.

COVID-19 Q & A of the Day

Question: What does an epidemiological investigation entail?

Answer: Once public health is notified of a positive COVID-19 case; we start an investigation. We interview the person with the positive test result and get a list of contacts that may have been potentially exposed and we reach out to those individuals to assess their risk level and give them guidance. Our epidemiologists are in daily contact with the person who tested positive until they are released from isolation. An individual's isolation timeframe varies from case to case. We educate them and give them guidance not just for themselves but for other residents of the household. Topics of education and guidance include how to monitor symptoms and what to do if symptoms escalate, proper cleaning and disinfecting of the home, how to effectively isolate from others in the home to reduce the risk of transmission, and others.

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