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DCHD Reminds All: Remember Your Masks

The Douglas County Health Department (DCHD) reminds you that masks are recommended during the COVID-19 outbreak when you are in public places.

“I wear a mask to protect you,” Health Director Dr. Adi Pour said. “You wear a mask to protect me.”

DCHD further emphasizes the need for social distancing. Please remain at least six feet from others, and avoid gatherings of more than ten people.

On Tuesday, April 14 the Health Department confirmed 10 new cases of COVID-19 in Douglas County. These new cases involve five men and five women between 27 and 64 years of age. Among the new cases, six had contact with a known case, two were community-acquired, and two remain under investigation. None of the new cases are hospitalized. That makes 255 cases of COVID-19 since the outbreak began.

Douglas County sadly also can confirm another death. A man in his 60s with underlying health conditions passed away. That marks the seventh death related to COVID-19 in the county.

Hospital inventory as of Monday evening indicated 538 medical surge beds are available with 38 patients hospitalized with COVID-19. Of the 402 ventilators available to area hospitals, 101 are in use, including 15 for confirmed COVID-19 patients.

Please know the COVID-19 symptoms, which may include a fever, cough, sore throat, severe fatigue or difficulty breathing. In most cases a person will have more than one of these symptoms. Anyone who has COVID-19 symptoms should contact their health care provider and tell them how you are feeling and any possible exposure history. Please call ahead before you go to the doctor’s office or an emergency room.

DCHD’s information line is open daily at (402) 444-3400 from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. In addition, the Nebraska DHHS COVID-19 information line is open from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. at (402) 552-6645. Calls are taken 24 hours a day at the United Way’s 2-1-1 Information Line.

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