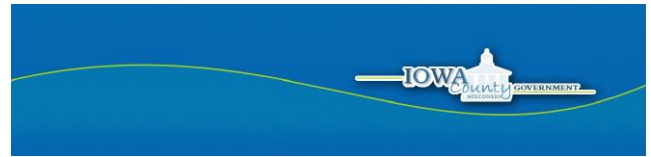


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Iowa County Health Department

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COVID 19 Case Update

Iowa County – The Iowa County Health Department announces that a fifth lab confirmed case of COVID 19 has been identified in an Iowa County resident. This case is an individual in their 50s who is currently isolated in the hospital. The investigation is ongoing. Iowa County Health Department maintains contact with all confirmed cases. The health department reaches out to those who may have had close contact to each confirmed case and assists in actively monitoring their health while they are under quarantine.

Remember that cases only tell part of the story. While positive confirmed cases help to represent the disease spread in a community, they do not account for all possible cases. Community spread is considered statewide in Wisconsin, meaning any public interactions put you at greater risk of exposure and getting sick. It is critical that residents understand that if you leave your home you should assume you will come in contact with COVID 19.

A reminder with Easter tomorrow, we urge residents to follow the Safer at Home order, which limits gatherings of more than 10 people inside or outside. If you do not live with someone, please do not have them over to your house. While we would all like to spend the holidays with our friends and family, doing so seriously endangers the health of your closest loved ones. Travel outside of your local community and gathering with people that you do not live with is very risky. In the meantime, we ask that you stay connected with one another through phone calls, video chats, text messages, and other ways.

Keep your loved ones safe, healthy and alive. Stay home. [#SaferAtHome](#)

Case Update

5 Positive Test Results in Iowa County
145 Negative Test Results in Iowa County
3,213 Positive Test Results in Wisconsin
34,680 Negative Test Results in Wisconsin
950 (30%) Hospitalizations
137 Deaths in Wisconsin

For a broader picture of the number of cases and additional details see
<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/outbreaks/index.htm>

Announcements

- [Upland Hills Health Hospital and Clinics:](#)
 - Updated 4/3 - No Visitor or Gift Policy at Hospital and Nursing & Rehabilitation Center
 - Effective 3/30 - UHH Clinics in Dodgeville, Mineral Point and Mt. Horeb are open 9 AM-3 PM Monday-Friday.

Important Sources of Information

- **211 Wisconsin** is an easy and helpful resource for COVID 19 questions. Simply call 211 from your phone <https://211wisconsin.communityos.org/>
- **For localized information:**

Please monitor the following Social Media sites:

Iowa County Public Health on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/iowacountyhealthdepartment/>

Upland Hills Health on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/UplandHillsHealthHospital/>

Iowa County Emergency Management on Twitter - <https://twitter.com/ICEMWI>

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Monitor the following websites:

Iowa County COVID 19 <https://www.iowacounty.org/>

Upland Hills Health <https://www.uplandhillshealth.org/patient-visitors/covid-19-novel-coronavirus-information/>

WI Department of Health Services (DHS) <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/outbreaks/index.htm>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

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