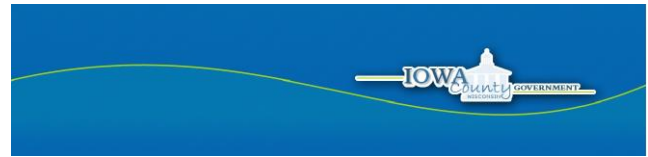


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### Iowa County Health Department

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### COVID 19 Case Update

**Iowa County** – The Iowa County Health Department announces that a seventh lab confirmed case of COVID 19 has been identified in an Iowa County resident. This recent case is an individual between the ages of 45 and 65, and is currently isolated. Iowa County Health Department has contact with all confirmed cases and reaches out to those who may have had close contact to each confirmed case. The Health Department assists in actively monitoring their health while they are under quarantine.

We expect to see positive case numbers increase as testing capacity is expected to increase locally. Remember however, lab confirmed cases only tell part of the story. While positive 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.

There is no effective medicine to treat COVID-19 and no vaccine. We have to work together through interventions like physical distancing and hand hygiene to slow the spread. We know this is challenging. We know this is disruptive. Badger Bounce Back is Wisconsin's plan to decrease COVID 19 cases and deaths and also increase capacity in our health care system so that a phased reopening of businesses happens. We all want people to get back to work. We need to stick together and with the physical distancing a little longer and dial back restrictions slowly.

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### Case Update

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7 Positive Test Results in Iowa County  
198 Negative Test Results in Iowa County  
4,620 Positive Test Results in Wisconsin  
47,841 Negative Test Results in Wisconsin  
1,252 (27%) Hospitalizations  
242 Deaths in Wisconsin

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

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### Announcements

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- [Upland Hills Health Hospital and Clinics:](#)
  - 4/21/2020: Monfort Clinic is now re-open 9 -3 pm.

- 4/6/2020: UHH is not accepting delivery of food, flowers or gifts. Donations to the COVID-19 Relief Fund will help fund new food service supplies and protocols for feeding staff and patients safely. Donate by calling 608.930.7169 or at [www.uplandhillshealth.org/relief](http://www.uplandhillshealth.org/relief)
- Effective 3/30 - UHH Clinics in Dodgeville, Mineral Point and Mt. Horeb are open 9 AM-3 PM Monday-Friday.
- **The Wisconsin Emergency Assistance Volunteer Registry (WEAVR)** is a secure, password-protected, web-based volunteer registration system for health care and behavioral health professionals. We continue to seek individuals interested in filling critical response and recovery roles during a major public health emergency such as the current pandemic. In Iowa County we are reaching out to individuals who have registered on WEAVR to provide information and gauge interest in helping locally. Training will be provided at the reporting site. EMS or retired folks, we would welcome you if able and/or interested. If you have an interest in helping out locally, please register on WEAVR. Questions about WEAVR? See [Frequently Asked Questions](#). Feel free to also call the Iowa County Health Department at 608.930.9870.

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### Important Sources of Information

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- **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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