



Teton Valley Health
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Press Release - For Immediate Release

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EASTERN IDAHO PUBLIC HEALTH (EIPH) - (excerpt from their daily update on eiph.idaho.gov)

Positive COVID-19 Test Results Case

#25: We are reporting a positive COVID-19 test result for a female in her 60s in Bonneville County. This individual was not hospitalized and is recovering at home. Community spread of COVID-19 is identified.

Case #26: We are reporting a positive COVID-19 test result for a male in his 40s in Madison County. This individual was not hospitalized and is recovering at home. This individual had contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 while out of the State of Idaho.

Case #27: We are reporting a positive COVID-19 test result for a male in his 40s in Teton County. This individual was not hospitalized and is recovering at home. The individual had contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 while out of the State of Idaho.

STATISTICS UPDATE

World Update

1,508,089 total cases

88,184 deaths

77,108 new cases in last 24 hrs

National Update

426,300 total cases

14,622 deaths

25,965 new cases in last 24 hrs

Idaho Update

1,232 total cases

18 deaths

22 cases in the last 24 hrs

Additional data for Idaho: there have been 113 hospitalizations across the state and a total of 12,531 people have been tested for COVID-19. Positive cases among healthcare workers is 113.

TETON VALLEY HEALTH (TVH)

TVH has a nurse answering COVID questions via phone every day of the week. Please call 208-354-2383 if you think you have COVID to talk directly to a nurse BEFORE going to the hospital. It is the opinion of TVH that this situation will endure for multiple weeks, if not months. That said, the community should seek needed care and feel assured TVH can address any healthcare need.

Please remember, this is a marathon, not a sprint and together we are all making a difference. It is believed that self isolation and social distancing measures are working but we still have a long way to go. We ask that everyone stay the course and continue to adhere to the [Governor's Order](#) to ensure slowing the spread of COVID-19.

CARING FOR LOVED ONES INFECTED WITH COVID -19 (from USA-Today)

COVID - 19 cases continue to surge throughout the United States and experts say some portions of the country are beyond containment. The wide-spread virus has a high person-to-person transmission rate and is beginning to seriously affect younger adults, not just older generations. Those who are infected and don't require hospitalization are instructed to stay home, but that still leaves families and roommates vulnerable. So, what can one do to keep loved ones safe while recovering at home from COVID-19? And what can caregivers do to stay healthy? Please [click here](#) for details.

How to Wear a Cloth Face Covering



Cloth face coverings should—

- Fit snugly but comfortably against the side of the face
- Be secured with ties or ear loops
- Include multiple layers of fabric
- Allow for breathing without restriction
- Be able to be laundered and machine dried without damage or change to shape

For more information on face coverings please visit:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>

CONSTRUCTION POLICIES AND PLANS

County Commissioners approved the COVID-19 Building Department Policies today. The full document is available [here](#). The City of Driggs will continue to monitor whether construction sites are compliant with the Governor's Order, the City's Declaration of Emergency, and the CDC recommendations, and will address any further concerns as they may arise. The City of Teton will be discussing construction restrictions at their next meeting on April 13, 2020 at 7:00 pm. It will be a virtual meeting and all meeting details will be posted on the City of Teton website by Friday April 10.

VISITATION AND LODGING RESTRICTIONS

Driggs emphasizes that, under the Governor's Order, no Hotels, or other temporary lodging facilities (VRBO's, or Airbnb's) may operate, except to house essential workers.

Teton County and the City of Victor are considering visitation and lodging restrictions. Information will be provided from both entities as soon as it is available.

PRIMARY ELECTION VOTING DURING COVID-19

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic voting in the May 19 Primary Election is **only available** by casting an absentee ballot. For details on how to vote absentee visit: <https://idahovotes.gov/vote-early-idaho/>

PLEASE DON'T FORGET THE CENSUS!

With everything going on we wanted to remind everyone that the 2020 US Census is happening now. It is important for our community to be accurately accounted for in the census for the following reasons:

- Fair share of government money for public services
- Fair representation in Congress and the legislature

For information on how to complete your census form visit www.2020census.gov

Together, we will make it through this!

TETON VALLEY STRONG!