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Sarpy/Cass Health Department Identifies New Mechanism for COVID-19 Case Reporting
Department's Website Will Feature Daily Updated Case Counts and Interactive Dashboard

PAPILLION – The Sarpy/Cass Health Department will provide daily updates of positive cases of COVID-19 in Sarpy and Cass County via their website at www.sarpycasshealthdepartment.org. The homepage features a cumulative total of positive laboratory-confirmed cases, methods of transmission, and the total number of tests collected for each county.

An interactive dashboard featuring COVID-19 case information per zip code is also available on the Health Department's website. The dashboard provides additional information on the positive cases of COVID-19, including gender, hospitalizations, and age ranges.

"The health and safety of our residents remain our primary focus. Providing a mechanism for our community to stay informed of confirmed COVID-19 activity in our counties is an important piece of this response," stated Sarah Schram, Health Director.

Should significant COVID-19 developments occur, the Health Department will continue to notify the community via traditional and social media methods.

The Health Department wants to remind residents of the steps they can take to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and other respiratory illnesses.

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick and if you are ill stay home.
- Put distance between yourself and other – around 6 feet.
- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Avoid touching your mouth, nose, or eyes.
- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touch surfaces.

Public health partners across the state continue to take action to protect the health of Nebraskans. The Sarpy/Cass Health Department will continue to update our community as new information becomes available.

For more information about COVID-19 please visit www.sarpycasshealthdepartment.org or <http://dhhs.ne.gov/coronavirus> or call 211.

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