

Health and Human Services

Calumet County Public Health Covid-19 Status Update

March 31, 2020

COVID-19 Cases in Wisconsin

Wisconsin

- Positive: 1,351
- Negative: 17,375
- Deaths: 16
- Latest Outbreak data from [WI Department of Health Services](#)

Calumet County

- Positive: 1
 - Appleton City Health Department Jurisdiction
 - The one confirmed case contracted the virus through domestic travel, to an area with community spread.
- Negative: 47

What's New

- [New Public-Private Partnerships to Increase Lab Capacity](#)
- Child Care for Essential Workers: The Department of Children and Families (DCF) is helping connect [essential workforce](#) families to local, safe child care. Healthcare workers and essential employees are able to submit a [request for care](#) or view up-to-date availability using a new [child care map](#). DCF is working with health care providers, child care centers, community organizations and schools to open emergency child care centers for essential workforce families and has provided [guidance and resources](#) for organizations interested in opening child care centers.
- Governor Evers Issues [Executive Order](#) that Supports Increasing the Supply of Nurses in Response to COVID-19
 - Allows for Graduate Nurse temporary licensure. The temporary license is valid until the end of the emergency or six months after the availability of NCLEX.
 - Allows for renewal of license for nurses that have been out of the workforce beyond five years without having to complete the five year refresher course. Applicants must be free of any disciplinary sanctions. Payment of licensure application fees is not required.
 - Allows for nurses from other states who are in good standing with their Board of Nursing to practice in Wisconsin without applying for a temporary license.
- Guidance on [Safely Using Hand Sanitizer](#)

Additional Information

- Homemade Face Masks and Other Personal Protective Equipment
 - At this time, the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) and the Wisconsin Department of Health Services are not recommending the use of homemade face masks or other types of homemade personal protective equipment (PPE).
 - If you have already made face masks or other PPE, please keep them at your home. If you want to be added a list of potential donors for future supply needs, please email your name and contact information to healthdivision@calumetcounty.org.



- **Your willingness to help is greatly appreciated.** At this time, however, the best way to help is to stay at home, except for essential travel, such as to get food or medicine.
- [COVID-19 Information for Employers](#)
- COVID-19 [Response Plan](#) for Essential Businesses was added to the [Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation website](#)
- Governor Evers issues [Temporary Ban on Evictions and Foreclosures](#)
- New DHS COVID-19 web pages:
 - [Long-Term Care Facilities](#)
 - [Resilient Wisconsin](#)
 - [Personal Protective Equipment \(PPE\)](#)
 - [County Data](#) - positive counts by County, previously on [DHS Outbreaks page](#)
 - [OutWiGo 6 Feet Apart: A Cheesy Guide to Keeping Your Social Distance Outdoors from Wisconsin DNR](#)
- Gov. Evers Directs DHS to Announced [Safer at Home Order](#) that took effect at 8:00 A.M. on Wednesday, March 25, 2020
 - [Safer at Home Expectations Explained](#)
 - [Definitions of Essential Businesses](#)
 - [Safer at Home FAQ's](#)
- This [DCF guidance](#) on child, family, and facility contact may help answer questions about children who are not living with some members of their family.
- List of all [CDC updates](#) in chronologically order
- List of Previous Press releases from [WI Department of Health Services](#)
- List of Previous Executive and emergency orders from [WI Department of Health Services](#)
- Guidance on signs and symptoms, travel, mass gatherings, specific groups of people, and other items from the [WI Department of Health Services](#)

Reminders

- **What does “Flatten the Curve” mean; and how is the state defining “success” for Wisconsinites?**
 - Success is simply this: We must stop the continual rise of disease transmission to keep the number COVID-19 cases requiring hospitalization BELOW the number of available hospital beds. We must do this by slowing the spread of disease thru our proactive measures such as “social distancing.” We cannot let this virus overrun our hospitals and available medical staffing like what has happened in countries like Italy, or certain areas of the United States. We must slow the spread of this disease because, as you know, there is no current vaccine or treatment for COVID-19.
- **Supervision of Children at Place of Employment**
 - Allowable care and supervision while the child’s parent is employed on the premises is for no more than three hours a day. While the Department of Children and Families is allowing emergency care in some instances, the business should contact the [regional licensing office](#) to discuss their options for on-site care. If the caller is concerned about the care being provided, we would recommend they contact the [regional licensing office](#) to file a complaint.”
- **Call your healthcare provider before going into a clinic if you are experiencing mild to moderate symptoms of COVID-19.**
 - This will allow them to provide guidance, prepare ahead if you need to be seen, and minimize risk to others.
- **If you have any immediate questions, please call the United Way’s Resource Line to speak with a trained specialist. It is available 24/7 for non-emergency questions about COVID-19 and referrals to local health and human services.**
 - Dial 211 on your phone
 - Text “COVID19” to 211-211 to receive links to CDC information.
 - Visit <http://211.org/>
 - or contact Calumet County Public Health during business hours (Monday-Friday; 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM) at 920-849-1432.

Tips for COVID-19

- Visit the [Calumet County COVID-19 webpage](#) and scroll down to the ‘Resources and FAQs’ tab for a variety of helpful resources regarding COVID-19.