

Health and Human Services

Calumet County Public Health Covid-19 Status Update

July 21, 2020

CALUMET COUNTY COVID-19 CASES AND DATA DASHBOARD

NOTE: Dashboard does not include data from the portions of City of Menasha or City of Appleton that are within Calumet County. Those cities have their own Public Health jurisdictions separate from Calumet County Public Health.

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WHAT'S NEW

- [Dr. Westergaard: 6 Confirmed Cases](#) Chief Medical Officer Dr. Ryan Westergaard reports six confirmed cases of MIS-C in Wisconsin, all of them kids under 15.
- [This chart from AAFA](#) (Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America) compares COVID-19 symptoms with symptoms of cold, flu and allergies.
- <https://www.hfmhealth.org/coronavirus-covid-19/> COVID-19 testing at Holy Family Memorial in Manitowoc—no copays! Call (920) 320-3333 for an appointment and guidance.



COVID-19 CASES IN WISCONSIN

Key Data Summary Updates for July 21, 2020 (unless otherwise noted)

1. [Total negative counts](#): 750,562 (+13,371)
2. [Total positive counts](#): 44,135 (+1,117)
3. [Total ever hospitalized](#): 4,194 (+65) (10%)
4. [Total deaths](#): 859 (+13)
5. [Active cases](#): 9,369 (21%)
6. [Recovered cases](#): 33,902 (77%)
7. [Percent of confirmed cases by race*](#): American Indian (1%), Asian or Pacific Islander (3%), Black (16%), White (60%), Multiple or other races (10%), Unknown (10%)
8. [Percent of confirmed cases by ethnicity*](#): Hispanic or Latino (26%), Not Hispanic or Latino (62%), Unknown (12%)
9. [Emergency Department visits](#):
 1. Influenza like illness: 55 visits on 7/19, compared to previous 3-day average of 54
 2. COVID-19 like illness: 139 visits on 7/19, compared to previous 3-day average of 179
10. [Total hospital bed utilization](#): 74%

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the news about COVID-19 being airborne?

In addition to continuing current practices to limit the spread of COVID-19 (e.g., physical distancing, wearing cloth face coverings, handwashing, covering coughs and sneezes, and avoiding touching the eyes, nose, and mouth), a group of experts is urging that further measures be taken to reduce risk in enclosed spaces. These strategies are designed to limit the possibility of inhaling the virus and becoming infected while indoors:

- Provide sufficient and effective ventilation (e.g., increase the supply of clean outdoor air, minimize the recirculation of air) especially in public buildings, workplace environments, schools, hospitals, and long-term care facilities.
- Add to general ventilation with airborne infection controls such as local exhaust, high efficiency air filtration, and germicidal ultraviolet lights.
- Avoid indoor overcrowding, including on public transportation.

Why should temperature checks be utilized?

Temperature checks are an accessible way for large groups of the population to be able to reduce the spread of COVID-19. It is important to note that temperature checks are not 100% effective, and will not detect asymptomatic carriers of the virus, or those who either are not symptomatic yet or anymore.

Is there a specific type of technology recommended for performing temperature checks?

There are currently no specific recommendations from the CDC for temperature checking technology. Based on their recommendations for temperature checking procedure, those that can check from a distance of 6 feet or more, and those that are easily able to be rapidly sanitized are preferred. The CDC is indiscriminate regarding method, which includes thermometer guns and heat-detection cameras, some of which can be paired with facial-recognition software that security officials can use to track and identify suspected unwell individuals.

Are some types of technology more effective than others at performing temperature checks?

There is no specific recommendation from the CDC on the effectiveness of the technology or the process of temperature checks. In all of their guidance, there is still a heavy emphasis on physical distancing. There are notable flaws with not only the temperature screening technology, with the potential for hardware error and unreliability, but also with the process of temperature screening. Some of these flaws may include:

- Temperature can go up from exercise, overeating, stress, excitement, flu, hot room
- Asymptomatic (or symptomatic) spread without fever
- Potential for discrimination, social consequences
- Screenings lead to long lines, bottlenecks at entrances
- Screenings may make employees feel a false sense of security - so they may not wear masks as much, adhere to physical distancing, etc.

Where can I get a test?

- Call your primary care physician and request a COVID-19 test.
- Visit a community testing site. Click [here](#) to see additional community testing sites throughout Wisconsin.

OFFICIAL WEBSITES TO ACCESS STATE, REGIONAL, AND COUNTY DATA

- [Wisconsin COVID-19 cases mapped by County](#)
- [Wisconsin DHS COVID-19 State and County summary data](#)
- [Wisconsin DHS Facility Investigations by region and county](#)
- [Wisconsin Hospital Association \(WHA\) COVID-19 hospitalization data by region](#)
- The Department of Health Services' [COVID-19 testing map](#) tracks community testing sites across the state.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- [Reopening Calumet County - Public Health Recommendations Guide](#)
- 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](#)
- **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 (M-F 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM) at 920-849-1432.
- 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.