



DOUGLAS COUNTY COVID-19 RESPONSE TEAM

Our local COVID-19 updates represent the coordinated effort of the 14 agencies that make up the DCCRT

JOINT INFORMATION CENTER PRESS RELEASE - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – July 8, 2020 DOUGLAS COUNTY COVID-19 RESPONSE TEAM - NOON CASE UPDATE

Douglas County COVID-19 Test Results: It is Wednesday, July 8, 2020, and as of 12:00 pm today, there is **ONE** new confirmed case of COVID-19, and two new presumptive cases in Douglas County since yesterday at noon. **The total number of cases (confirmed and presumptive) in Douglas County is now at 56***. OHA expanded their reporting for COVID-19 case management to now include presumptive COVID-19 cases in their total case number. DPHN is reporting confirmed and presumptive cases and uses the OHA’s definition of presumptive as having had close contact with a known, confirmed COVID-19 case, showing symptoms and not yet having a positive nasal swab/PCR test for COVID-19. Testing continues, as DPHN has been holding 2-3 clinics a week and hospitals, urgent cares and clinics continue to test. DPHN continues their epidemiologic investigations, identifying individuals who may have had close contact with individuals that have tested positive for COVID-19, advising and supporting quarantine and isolation. **Our daily update includes the total number of cases in Douglas County, which combines confirmed and presumptive cases. We provide a breakout of the confirmed and presumptive cases in the chart below. Please note there will be times when our total case number will not change when we report a new case, but our breakout for confirmed and presumptive cases will be updated.*

Douglas County, OR COVID-19 Case Update	
Wednesday, July 8, 2020	
Total COVID-19 Cases: 56	
47 confirmed	9 presumptive
Total Currently Hospitalized: 1	
Total Currently in Isolation: 16	
Total COVID-19 Deaths: 0	
Total Negative Test Results: 5550	

DPHN is following Oregon Health Authority’s policy related to outbreaks and will be reporting workplace outbreaks with 5 or more cases and only for workplaces where there are at least 30 employees. Previously, we used the OHA definition for recovered that considered people recovered if they were 10 days from onset and symptoms were improving. As more is learned about COVID, the clinical definition of recovery is evolving. Due to the evolving nature of this definition, we have removed the column in our chart listing our recovered cases. The DCCRT noon case and daily update will report the number of confirmed cases (as of 12:00 pm that day), the number of presumptive cases, total COVID-19 deaths, total currently hospitalized, total negative test results, and the number of people in isolation in Douglas County. Currently, DPHN is supporting 16 cases in isolation.

Getting Tested & Testing Clinics

The next drive-through testing clinic will be Friday, July 10, 2020. *As a reminder, if you are having symptoms of COVID-19 including cough, fever, shortness of breath, muscle aches and pains, diarrhea, sore throat or decreased sense of smell and taste, talk to your health care provider about being tested for COVID-19.* Patients without a Primary Care Provider, that are looking for a COVID-19 test should contact the Sutherlin Aviva Health Clinic at (541) 459-3788. The first drive-through testing site was piloted in the county on March 17, 2020, there have been 945 people tested in 45 drive-through clinics, while additional testing continues in hospitals, urgent cares and clinics. The drive-through clinics are led by DPHN, in conjunction with partner agencies including; Douglas County COVID-19 Response Team, Douglas County Board of Commissioners, Douglas County Sheriff’s Office, Douglas County Public Works, local volunteers and local health professionals.

Oregon COVID-19 Case Update

Oregon Health Authority (OHA) reports new cases once a day on their website at www.healthoregon.org/coronavirus. OHA also releases a daily situation status report and a weekly report that details the overall picture of the COVID-19 outbreak within our state. The daily report details positive and presumptive cases, as well as deaths by county and statewide, while the weekly report is more in depth and includes statistical data related the severity of cases by age, gender, zip codes, ethnicity, as well as information on workplace and senior care facility outbreaks in Oregon.

Stay Informed with the Accurate Information

Your Douglas County Board of Commissioners, Douglas County Public Health Officer, Dr. Robert Dannenhoffer and the Douglas County COVID-19 Response Team have been working hard to cooperatively provide accurate and timely information to Douglas County residents since March 8, 2020. **Local COVID-19 Hotline: If you have questions about resources available, call the COVID-19 hotline, staffed by local volunteers at (541) 464-6550 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, 7 days a week.** Stay up to date on COVID-19 in Douglas County on the Douglas County Government website or the DPHN website. Find additional information on state or federal COVID-19 response from the following websites: Oregon Health Authority, Centers for Disease Control, and by calling or logging onto 211Info. If you have questions or need more information about the Governor’s Phased Reopening Plans or Sector Specific Guidelines go to <https://govstatus.egov.com/reopening-oregon>. Or directly contact the Governor’s Office or Oregon Health Authority.

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