



DOUGLAS COUNTY COVID-19 RESPONSE TEAM

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

JOINT INFORMATION CENTER PRESS RELEASE - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – October 13, 2020 DOUGLAS COUNTY COVID-19 RESPONSE TEAM - DAILY UPDATE

(Douglas County, Ore.) Douglas County COVID-19 Test Results: The Douglas County COVID-19 Response Team continues to focus our efforts on our local COVID-19 response. **As of 12:00 pm today, Tuesday, October 13, 2020, there are THREE people with new positive test results since our noon case update yesterday.** The total number of cases (people with positive test results and presumptive) in Douglas County is now at 290*. Currently, there are **FOUR** Douglas County COVID-19 patients that are being hospitalized. One is being hospitalized out of the area, while three are being hospitalized locally.

Douglas County, OR - COVID-19 - Case Update					
Date	Friday, October 9, 2020	Saturday, October 10, 2020	Sunday, October 11, 2020	Monday, October 12, 2020	Today, Tuesday, October 13, 2020
Total COVID-19 Cases	282	287	287	287	290
<i>People with Positive PCR or Antigen Test Results</i>	250	255	255	255	258
<i>Presumptive</i>	32	32	32	32	32
Total Currently Hospitalized	3	4	4	4	4
Total Currently in Isolation	35	36	34	34	30
Total COVID-19 Related Deaths	4	4	4	4	4
Total Negative Test Results	13,882	13,990	14,069	14,157	14,279

*Our daily update includes the total number of cases in Douglas County, which combines people with positive test results and presumptives. We provide a breakout of the people with positive test results and presumptives in the chart above. Please note there will be times when a presumptive will move to a positive test result, and our total case number will not change because the case has already been counted, instead you will see an adjustment to our breakout numbers for positive test results and presumptives.

Keep Prevention at the Top of Your Priority List

We again have more new cases. It's a reminder to definitely not relax or forgo your preventative COVID-19 health and safety measures. The DCCRT team continues to encourage residents to protect themselves and their loved ones by practicing prevention measures to stop the spread of the coronavirus.

Residents can protect themselves and their families by following these simple, basic health and safety precautions:

- Washing and sanitizing your hands frequently.
- Staying at least six feet apart from anyone not from your immediate household.
- Staying home from work, shopping, school and play if you are sick.
- Minimizing travel and limiting visitors.
- Wearing a mask were recommended.

Our recent cases can be attributed to travel and unwitting and unintentional behavior by residents choosing to attend or host social gatherings where COVID-19 guidelines for social distancing, food preparation, hand washing and masks are not being followed. Cases have been linked to social

What Can YOU Do to Prevent The Spread of COVID-19

 Stay home if you're sick	 Wash your hands often
 Stay 6 feet away from people when in public	 Talk to public health if you think you've been exposed to a known positive case
 Know risks of gatherings — indoor, larger, close contact all higher risk	 Know your own personal risk , some people are more high risk
 Wear mouth and nose coverings , to protect others and yourself	 Limit travel

 **DOUGLAS PUBLIC HEALTH NETWORK** **COVID-19 Hotline (541) 464-6550**
8 am-5 pm, 7 days per week
Visit douglaspublichealthnetwork.org for the latest updates on testing and FAQ



gatherings including: birthday parties, weddings, funerals, prayer groups, play dates, visiting family members and school events. Again, we ask that you take a moment and revisit how you are socializing and please protect yourself and your loved ones from the spread of this virus. Please stay safe and remember to be kind to others. Stopping the increase of COVID-19 cases in our county is really up to YOU, our residents.

OHA Definition for Recovered

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. We added the number of those in isolation that roughly correlates with the number of active cases. The DCCRT noon case and daily update will report the Total Number of COVID-19 Cases, the number of positive test results (as of 12:00 pm that day), the number of presumptive, total currently hospitalized, total currently in isolation, total COVID-19 deaths and total negative test results in Douglas County. ***Currently, DPHN is supporting 30 cases in isolation, as well as another 153 contacts in quarantine in Douglas County. Isolation is recommended for confirmed and presumptive cases, quarantine is recommended for contacts of confirmed or presumptive cases. This number represents a snapshot of the significant amount of work being done by our county and our public health to help control the spread of COVID-19.***

Getting Tested & Testing Clinics

The next drive-through testing clinic will be Today, Tuesday, October 13, 2020, in Roseburg. 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 1639 people tested in 80 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. Find additional information on the state or Federal COVID-19 response go to Oregon Health Authority, Centers for Disease Control, and 211Info.

Oregon COVID-19 Presumptive

OHA expanded their reporting for COVID-19 case management to now include presumptive COVID-19 cases in their total case number. DPHN is reporting the number of people with new positive test results and any new presumptives 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 or antigen 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.

COVID-19 Travel Caution: Please Limit Travel, Social Gatherings and Visitors

We will continue to encourage residents to be cautious about traveling or inviting people from outside our county, and instead encourage our residents to delay travel, consider stay-cations and reschedule visits from out-of-the-area friends and family to a later date. We continue to identify people with positive test results that have chosen to travel out of Oregon to visit relatives or to take vacations. While traveling those individuals and families have come in contact with someone with COVID-19 and brought it back to Douglas County. We have expanded our list of states directly related to our cases though travel, they include Alaska, Washington, California, Idaho, Nevada, Arizona, Texas, Louisiana, Florida, Tennessee, Michigan, Ohio, Massachusetts and Wyoming. A few other cases were the result of a family member coming to Douglas County to visit, brought the virus with them and infected their host family.

Facebook Live with Dr. Bob Dannenhoffer

Join us **Tonight, Tuesday, October 13, 2020** for the next virtual town hall Q&A with Dr. Bob Dannenhoffer, your Douglas County Public Health Officer at 6:00 pm, hosted by DPHN and found on the [DPHN Facebook page](#).

OHA: Facebook Live Event October 14 For Safe, But Still Spooky and Fun Halloween Tips

Shared from [OHA](#). COVID-19 is reshaping how Oregonians celebrate holidays, including Halloween. But that doesn't mean Halloween can't still be spooky and fun this year! Join OHA on Wednesday, October 14 at NOON for tips on how to celebrate safely and to have your questions answered by our experts directly. [OHA Facebook](#).

Protecting Eyes During Screen Time

Shared from [OHA](#). With so many children and college students attending school online, and adults working from home, you may be wondering about how to keep your and your children safe from vision issues or fatigue. The American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO) recommends blinking often and following the 20-20-20 rule – every 20 minutes look away from the computer at something that's 20 feet away for 20 seconds. AAO has a full [list of recommendations](#) for reducing eye strain while using digital devices and more specific [recommendations for children](#) who are using screens are available on their webpage.

[Maintaining overall eye health](#) is important as well. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends [protecting your vision](#) by scheduling regular eye examinations, choosing to eat healthy foods like leafy greens, keeping track of your family's eye history, wearing sunglasses, and [quitting smoking](#)

LOCAL COVID-19 INFORMATION

Stay Informed with Accurate Local Information

Stay up to date on COVID-19 in Douglas County on the [Douglas County Government website](#) or the [DPHN website](#). Your Douglas County Board of Commissioners, Douglas County Public Health Officer, Dr. Robert Dannenhoffer, DPHN and the Douglas County COVID-19 Response Team (DCCRT) have been working hard to cooperatively provide accurate and timely information to Douglas County residents since March 8, 2020. Our local COVID-19 updates represent the coordinated effort of the agencies that make up the DCCRT.

Douglas County Resource/COVID-19 Hotline: (541) 464-6550:

Douglas County Commissioners and Douglas Public Health Network have added a resource and referral service to the current COVID-19 hotline for Douglas County residents. The added service will help residents get connected to resources and services due to the local wildfires. Referral and resource information will be available about local emergency shelters, livestock and animal boarding options, donation locations, volunteer opportunities, welfare check referrals, food and water resources and help with health and wellness questions. This is **NOT** the hotline for Fire Updates or Evacuation information. Please contact or follow DFPA and DCSO for the most up-to-date wildfire information. **The Resource/COVID-19 Hotline is (541) 464-6550. It is staffed from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, 7 days a week until further notice.** (Please note that the hotline hours were adjusted on September 23, 2020.)

Questions about Governor's Reopening or Statewide Rules? If you have questions or need more information go to the Governor's COVID-19 website at <https://govstatus.egov.com/or-covid-19/> or call the Business Oregon's Navigator Hotline at (833) 604-0880. For information on COVID-19 in Oregon, call 211 or visit [211info](#)

Who Do You Contact to Report Compliance Issues with the Governor's Statewide Rules? Please do not call 911, Douglas County Sheriff's Office or Douglas County Offices to report compliance issues with the Governor's orders. The Governor has directed the State offices for Oregon Occupational Safety and Health (OSHA) and the Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) to be the enforcement agencies responsible for ensuring restaurants, bars, and other businesses comply with COVID-related rules.

For more information or to report compliance issues contact:

OSHA: (800) 922-2689 or [OSHA website](#)

OLCC (503) 872-5000 or [OLCC website](#)

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