

For Immediate Release:

(Jefferson County, Kansas- April 29, 2020)

As of today, there has been nine (9) positive cases of COVID-19 in Jefferson County, and 168 negative tests. Seven individuals have recovered, 1 is actively ill and recovering at home, 1 is hospitalized and zero (0) deaths have been reported. Eight cases have had mild symptoms and have isolated appropriately at home. 1 case has required hospitalization and is currently receiving hospice care. Seven of the cases have been work exposure/ travel related and the other two cases source exposure has not been determined.

The Jefferson County Health Department continues to monitor residents in quarantine and those who are pending results per the Kansas Department of Health and Environment surveillance system.

On May 3<sup>rd</sup> at midnight the governor's Stay at Home order will expire. The Governor will be issuing a new order that we give guidance on social distancing restrictions. Local County Health Officials will be meeting on Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup> to discuss social distancing measures for Jefferson County. Although many are eager to get back to normalcy, it is important that we reopen the county in a manner that is safe for all county residents. We are thankful for the low number of residents that have had health impacts from COVID- 19 and are thankful to our community, who in most part, has done a great job in staying home and social distancing. We continue to believe this has made a large impact on the amount of cases that have been reported in Jefferson County.

For updated case counts, orders, and guidance documents for Jefferson County please check out the Jefferson County website at [www.jfcountyks.com](http://www.jfcountyks.com).

Kansas Dept. of Health and Environment's (KDHE) COVID-19 <https://www.coronavirus.kdheks.gov/>

Center for Disease Control (CDC) <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>

If you have any questions, please call the Jefferson County Health Department at 785-403-0025.

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