



Lassen COVID-19: Incident Command



DAILY UPDATE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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To date, the Lassen County COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) total tests are as follows:

0 – Known cases
51 - Negative
7 - Pending
58 – Total Tests

Yesterday, April 7, 2020, Dr. Kenneth Korver, the Lassen County Public Health Officer, issued three guidance for the public: (1) Isolation Order, (2) Quarantine Order, and (3) Guidance for the General Public for Face Covering. Individuals will be asked to Isolate or Quarantine to slow or stop the spread of the virus to others and if they have had contact with someone who:

- Has a positive lab test for COVID-19
- Signs and symptoms that are consistent with COVID-19
- Been informed by a physician that they are likely to have COVID-19

Isolation Order:

All individuals who have been diagnosed with or are likely to have COVID-19 must immediately take the following actions:

- Individuals must isolate themselves in a residence and follow all directions in this order until they are no longer at risk for spreading COVID-19 based upon the following criteria:
 - At least 3 days (72 hours) have passed since recovery, defined as resolution of fever without use of fever-reducing medications and improvement respiratory symptoms (and)
 - At least 7 days since symptoms first appeared (or)
 - Negative COVID-19 test
- Isolated persons may not leave their place of quarantine or enter any other public or private place during the period of isolation, except to receive necessary medical care.

Quarantine Order:

Dr. Korver released quarantine requirements for household contacts, intimate partners, caregivers, and close contacts of persons with a likelihood to have COVID-19.

- A person is considered to be a close contact of a person with or likely to have COVID-19 if they:
 - Were within six (6) feet of a person who has or is likely to have COVID-19 for more than ten (10) minutes
 - Had unprotected contact with the bodily fluids and/or secretions (such as being coughed on/sneezed on shared utensils or saliva or provided care



without wearing protective equipment of a person who has or is likely to have COVID-19, within 48 hours before that person's symptoms began and until that person is no longer required to be isolated

- Be quarantined in their home or another residence for a full 14 days from the last date that they were last in contact with the person who has or is likely to have COVID-19.
- Quarantined persons may not leave their place of quarantine or enter any other public or private place during the period of quarantine, except to receive necessary medical care.

Guidance for the General Public for Face Covering:

- Based to the recommendations from the United State Surgeon General and the CDC, Lassen County is now recommending that the public wear face coverings in public.
- A study published by Cambridge University Press, found that both homemade cloth masks and traditional surgical masks significantly reduced the amount of potentially infectious droplets expelled by the wearer, though surgical masks were three times better for preventing transmission.

For additional information and the full guidance from Dr. Korver, please visit our website at www.lassencares.org and the LassenCares Facebook page. If you have any questions regarding COVID-19, please call the Lassen County COVID-19 call center at (530) 251-8100 Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.