

5:00 PM 3/18/2020 Update – Wilson County, Kansas

Primary Information Sources

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html> <http://www.kdheks.gov/coronavirus/index.htm>

CALL FIRST

If you have any symptoms, please stay home and do not venture into public spaces, the hospitals, or your physician’s clinic. Instead we ask that you call the hospital or clinic first. Tell them about your recent travel and your symptoms. This will allow the healthcare team to prepare for your arrival. They will likely meet you at the door or in the parking lot to screen you, possibly place a mask on you, and determine how to best meet your needs for evaluation and treatment. Reported illnesses have ranged from mild symptoms to severe illness and death for confirmed coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) cases. The following symptoms may appear **2-14 days after exposure**.

- Fever 100.5 or greater
- Cough
- Shortness of breath

Numbers as of 3/18 /2020 (results reported at different times)

WILSON COUNTY		KANSAS		UNITED STATES		WORLD	
Confirmed	0	Total Cases	21 (+ 2 non residents)	Total Cases	7038	Total cases	214,894
Person Under Investigation	0	Total Deaths	1	Total Deaths	97	Total deaths	8,327
Pending Tests	1	Counties Reporting cases Butler (1) Douglas (1) Franklin (1) Johnson (11) Leavenworth (2) Wyandotte (5) (+Ford-1; Miami-1 non residents)*		States Reporting cases 49 states, DC, Puerto Rico, Guam, US Virgin Islands			

*Non residents are counted in their home state totals

COVID-19 TESTING

	Fredonia Regional	Wilson Medical	Kansas KDHE lab	Kansas Private Lab
Available	348	52	N/A	N/A
Positive	0	0	19	2
Negative	0	1	N/A	N/A
Pending	2	0	N/A	N/A

SCHOOLS-closed for remainder of 2019/20 school year

DEFINITIONS

Exposure – Close contact (within 6 feet for ≥ 10 minutes or direct contact ex. being coughed on) with a known or suspected COVID-19 case within the last 14 days

Quarantine – separates and restricts the movement of people who were exposed to a contagious disease (such as COVID-19) to see if they become sick.

Isolation – separates people with a confirmed contagious disease (such as COVID-19) from people who are not sick.

High Risk Individuals – people age 60 and above, people who have chronic conditions such as heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, and a weakened immune system.

Public health orders – legally enforceable directives issued under the authority of a relevant federal, state, or local entity that, when applied to a person or group, may place restrictions on the activities undertaken by that person or group, potentially including movement restrictions or a requirement for monitoring by a public health authority, for the purposes of protecting the public's health.

Person Under Investigation – person who fits the following characteristics:

Epidemiologic Risk	AND	Clinical Features
History of travel from Hubei Province, China within 14 days of symptom onset	AND	Fever* and lower respiratory illness (cough or shortness of breath)
History of travel from any country with a CDC Alert Level 2 or Warning Level 3 travel advisory within 14 days of symptoms onset	AND	Fever* and lower respiratory illness (cough or shortness of breath)
Close Contact with a person that has laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 and developed symptoms within 14 days of contact	AND	Fever* and lower respiratory illness (cough or shortness of breath)
No source of exposure has been identified	AND	Fever with severe acute lower respiratory illness (e.g. pneumonia, ARDS) and without alternative explanatory diagnosis (e.g. influenza)

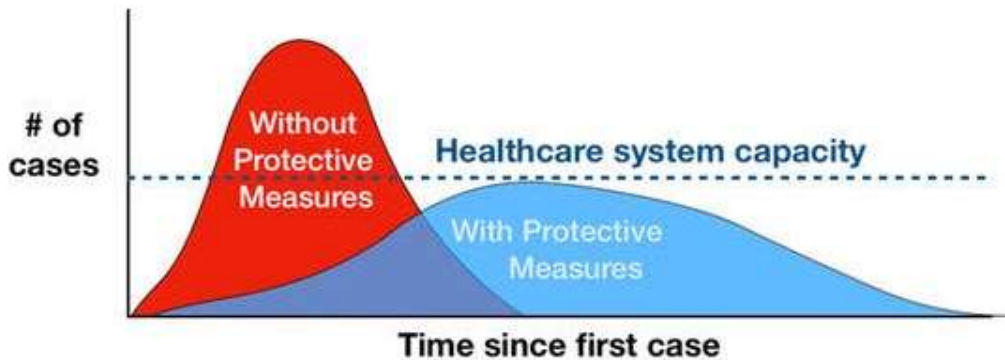
PUBLIC HEALTH ORDERS

There are no public health orders at this time, but the County Health Officer *recommends* that no gatherings be held or attended that have greater than 50 people in attendance.

SOCIAL DISTANCING

Social distancing means remaining out of congregate settings, avoiding mass gatherings, and maintaining distance (approximately 6 feet or 2 meters) from others when possible.

“FLATTENING THE CURVE”



Adapted from CDC / The Economist

The ideal goal in fighting an epidemic or pandemic is to completely halt the spread. But merely slowing it — mitigation — is critical. This reduces the number of cases that are active at any given time, which in turn gives doctors, hospitals, police, schools and vaccine-manufacturers time to prepare and respond, without becoming overwhelmed.

Governor’s Executive orders filed March 18:

Executive Order No. 20-06 temporarily prohibiting evictions and foreclosures:

<https://governor.kansas.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/20-06-Executed.pdf>

Executive order 20-07 temporarily closing schools to slow the spread of Covid-19

<https://governor.kansas.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/EO-20-07-Executed.pdf>

Governor Announcement 3/17: All but essential state employees under Governor Kelly’s purview are on administrative leave for two weeks

President’s Coronavirus Guidelines for Americans: “ 15 days to slow the spread”

https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/03.16.20_coronavirus-guidance_8.5x11_315PM.pdf

KDHE announces Press briefings will be held Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1:30 p.m. Watch on

Facebook Live <https://www.facebook.com/KDHEnews/>

Follow these links for additional updates:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html> <http://www.kdheks.gov/coronavirus/index.htm>