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CRAWFORD COUNTY COVID-19 POSITIVES RISE TO THREE

Mitigation and prevention are still the best ways to stop this virus. Stay home if you're mildly ill.

MEADVILLE, PA – Crawford County Officials were notified that there are now three residents living somewhere in Crawford County who have tested positive for the COVID-19 virus. All three individuals are at home and in isolation and the Department of Health is following up with anyone who may have come in contact with them. General guidance for Crawford County residents is to stay home as much as possible. Try to get groceries once per week instead of daily. Freedom of travel remains, but please refrain from non-essential travel. Essential travel includes things like commuting to an essential job, picking up supplies like groceries and medicine, and checking on family and pets in other households. Do not host or attend gatherings. In order to not overwhelm doctor's offices, emergency medical services, or the hospital please follow these recommendations from the Center for Disease Control. If you feel ill:

Stay home: People who are mildly ill with COVID-19 are able to recover at home. Do not leave, except to get medical care. Do not visit public areas.

Stay in touch with your doctor. Call before you get medical care. Be sure to get care if you feel worse or you think it is an emergency.

Avoid public transportation: Avoid using public transportation, ride-sharing, or taxis.

Stay away from others: As much as possible, you should stay in a specific "sick room" and away from other people in your home. Use a separate bathroom, if available.

Limit contact with pets & animals: You should restrict contact with pets and other animals, just like you would around other people.

Call ahead: If you have a medical appointment, call your doctor's office or emergency department, and tell them you have or may have COVID-19. This will help the office protect themselves and other patients.

If you are sick: You should wear a facemask when you are around other people and before you enter a healthcare provider's office.

If you are caring for others: If the person who is sick is not able to wear a facemask (for example, because it causes trouble breathing), then people who live in the home should stay in a different room. When caregivers enter the room of the sick person, they should wear a facemask. Visitors, other than caregivers, are not recommended.

Do not share: Do not share dishes, drinking glasses, cups, eating utensils, towels or bedding with other people in your home.

While Crawford County does have three positive cases reported, we fully expect there to be more as we are awaiting results of more tests. All of us have the opportunity to lessen the impact of COVID-19 in Crawford County if we practice the measures outlined by the Governor of Pennsylvania and Dr. Rachel Levine from the PA Department of Health: please wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds; use an alcohol- based hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available; cover any coughs or sneezes with your elbow, instead of your hands; clean surfaces frequently, including countertops, light switches, cell phones and other frequently touched items. Finally, if you are sick, stay home until you are feeling better.

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