

**Hancock County Emergency Management Agency
EMA Report – March 26, 2020**

- 1. The President has issued a National Emergency for the COVID-19 Virus**
- 2. Governor Tate Reeves has signed a State of Emergency in response to the spread of the Coronavirus, COVID-19. The State of Emergency covers all counties and municipalities that are affected.**
- 3. We have sent signed Local Proclamations for the Board of Supervisors, City of Bay St. Louis and Diamondhead to MEMA through Web-EOC.**
- 4. Hancock County has 1 new case today. There are 108 new cases in Mississippi. At this time, there are 485 Cases of COVID-19 in the State of Mississippi. 64 Counties out of 82 has been affected**
 - Hancock County: 6 Cases**
 - Harrison County: 31 Cases**
 - Pearl River County: 16 Cases**
 - Jackson County: 16 Cases**
- 5. Mississippi has 6 deaths know in Mississippi.**
- 6. Individuals tested by the Ms Department of Public Health Laboratory as of March 23, 2020 is 2,776.**
- 7. Reported COVID-19 Cases by Age Group through March 20, 2020 for Mississippi.**
 - 18 & under: 6 Cases**
 - 18-29 : 55 Cases**
 - 30-39 : 50 Cases**
 - 40-49 : 64 Cases**
 - 50-59 : 58 Cases**
 - 60-69 : 69 Cases**
 - 70 + : 74 Cases**
- 8. Reported COVID-19 Cases Hospitalized through March 20, 2020 for Mississippi.**
 - 68 % of the Cases not hospitalized.**
 - 31 % of the Cases hospitalized.**
 - 1 % of the Cases unknown**

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9. Reported COVID-19 Cases by Gender through March 20, 2020 in Mississippi.

- Male Cases are at 41 %
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- Female Cases are at 59 %

10. Total cases in the United States

- 68,440,453 Total Cases
- 994 Total Deaths
- Jurisdictions reporting cases: 54 (50 States and District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam and US Virgin Islands)

11. Cases of COVID-19 reported in the United State, by Source of Exposure

- Travel Related: 636
- Close Contact: 1,074
- Under Investigation: 66,730
- Total Cases 68,440

12. The Hancock County EMA Office put out the following press releases today.

- None put out today

13. Hancock County is not under a Curfew, stay at home order, shelter in place order at this time. We will let everyone if and when we are.

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14. Our recommendations to advise all of the County and City Employees are as follows:

- **If you received the posters we have been sending out, copy them and put them up in all the offices.**
- **Have each Department Head go over with each employee on how to protect yourself.**
- **Stay home if you are sick, and avoid close contact with anyone who is ill.**
- **Cover your coughs and sneezes. When possible, cough, sneeze or blow your nose into a tissue, and throw the tissue away.**
- **Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.**
- **Wash your hands frequently and thoroughly, especially after coughing or sneezing, blowing your nose, and using the bathroom. Effective handwashing takes about 20 seconds, and includes cleaning under fingernails, between fingers, and washing the back of hands as well as the front. [More proper handwashing tips »](#)**
- **Clean and disinfect surfaces and objects that are touched often.**
- **Stay in good overall health by eating right and staying active. If you are living with diabetes, heart disease or other condition, keep in touch with your doctor and stay current with your treatment.**
- **During or before flu season, get a flu shot. Flu vaccination can prevent the flu or make it less severe, and decrease your chance of hospitalization and death. It also keeps you healthier and better able to fight off infections.**
- **If you are sick, especially with shortness of breath, cough, and fever or similar flu-like symptoms, call a doctor or healthcare provider.**
- **If an employee is sick tell them to stay.**
- **Avoid gatherings of 250 people or more, especially if there is evidence of transmission in your county or adjacent counties. If you do attend, remember to practice the hygiene and distancing steps above.**
- **To prevent illness in those most vulnerable, anyone 65 or older OR with a chronic medical condition should avoid any gathering of 250 people or more (corrected from 50 earlier).**
- **Avoid unnecessary (non-urgent) air, bus or train travel.**
- **Limit visitation to older relatives or friends (especially in nursing or care homes).**
- **Prepare for the possibility that schools or day care centers may temporarily close.**

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15. People at High Risk:

- **People at risk for serious illness from COVID-19 are older adults and those with a chronic illness such as heart disease, diabetes, or lung disease. These people should take simple precautions at all times to limit their exposure to others who may be ill:**
- **Avoid social gatherings.**
- **Keep more space (6 feet if possible) between you and others as you go through the day.**
- **Avoid crowds. When you do go out in public, keep away from others who are sick and limit close contact.**
- **Wash your hands often, especially after being in public places.**