

GREEN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

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Green County Reports First Positive Case of COVID-19

The Green County-Green County Public Health Department announced today that there is one confirmed positive COVID-19 case in Green County.. This individual is 29 years old and is in isolation at home. There is no known direct contact with a positive case, although there is known travel in Florida. Out of respect for the patient's privacy, no additional information will be provided.

"We are in contact with this individual and will directly notify close contacts with additional guidance." said RoAnn Warden, Director/Health Officer.

The Green County Public Health and the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) responsibilities include:

- Identifying and contacting anyone who has been in close contact with a person who has COVID-19. These people are asked to quarantine themselves for 14 days from their exposure and will be monitored for fever and respiratory symptoms. People with symptoms are tested for COVID-19.
- Performing follow-up testing for individuals who test positive to determine when a person can be released from isolation.
- Providing guidance to clinicians regarding testing.
- Preparing Wisconsin for community spread of COVID-19.

Green County Public Health is keeping track of this outbreak. We are working with our local, state, and federal partners to deal quickly and effectively when people have symptoms of COVID-19 or have been around people have been infected with the coronavirus.

The health department wants everyone to know that while the risk of getting the illness remains low, people should follow simple steps to avoid getting sick, including:

- Frequent and thorough handwashing with soap and water.
- Cover coughs and sneezes.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Stay home when sick.
- Practice social distancing
- Avoid large public gatherings and crowds.

This is a rapidly evolving situation. For the latest information, visit the [CDC's website](#) or the [DHS website](#).

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For the latest information about COVID-19 in Green County, visit:

[Green County Public Health](#) .

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