



## Ford County Public Health Department

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### Ford County, IL Daily COVID-19 Update

Ford County Public Health Department (FCPHD) is announcing one new case of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). The individual is a female in her 50's.

Ford County has a total of ten confirmed cases, including one death. Two of the confirmed cases are associated with congregate living facilities. These numbers are accurate as of the release time. Public health officials continue to investigate and contact all individuals who may have had exposure to individuals that tested positive for COVID-19. Federal privacy restrictions prohibit the release of any further information.

FCPHD continues to encourage all residents to conduct preventive measures, practice social distancing, and follow Governor Pritzker's Stay at Home Executive Order, which has been extended through May 30, 2020. COVID-19 appears to spread from person-to-person mainly with close contact (less than 6 feet), but may also be spread by a surface that has the virus and then touching one's mouth, nose, or possibly one's eyes. Illinois Department of Public Health states that the spread is through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes.

#### Ford County COVID-19 Resource Site

During this challenging time, it is important to have trustworthy information and resources. Therefore, we have created a COVID-19 page on our website to provide information, updates and needed resources that provide support.

Please visit [www.fordcountyphd.org](http://www.fordcountyphd.org) to get access to the following:

- Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)
  - Symptoms
  - How the virus spreads
  - Preventative measures
  - Travel recommendations
  - Guidance on wearing a mask
  - Testing and diagnosis
  - What to do if you become ill
  - COVID-19 and pets
- COVID-19 resources
  - Link to State of IL Executive Orders
  - Guidance for specific populations (e.g., businesses, funeral homes, restaurants)
  - Mental health resources
  - Printable flyers
  - COVID-19 hotlines
  - Financial assistance for individuals, families, and businesses
  - COVID-19 community-based testing sites
  - Other resource links for parents and children
- FCPHD press releases
- Ford County confirmed case numbers

We ask that you follow our Facebook page for additional COVID-19 resources and updates. For general questions about COVID-19, call the Illinois Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Hotline at 1(800) 889-3931 or send an email to: [DPH.SICK@ILLINOIS.GOV](mailto:DPH.SICK@ILLINOIS.GOV) anytime, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.