

**Today's Official Update (Tuesday, March 17, 2020 @ 8:00 pm)**

**AS OF THIS DATE (3/17/2020) DAVIESS COUNTY AND SURROUNDING COUNTIES HAVE NO CONFIRMED CASES OF COVID-19!!!**

**DAVIESS COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT IS THE LEAD AGENCY FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT - SHOULD A CONFIRMED CASE HAPPEN, WE WILL BE THE AGENCY TO NOTIFY THE COMMUNITY.**

We continue to monitor the situation and are in communication with our State and local partners.

Additional restrictions/closings that have been ordered by the Daviess County Health Officer include restricting funeral visitations to immediate families only.

At this time all bars, nightclubs, restaurants and in-person dining areas have been ordered closed. Most locations have some form of carry-out or delivery services available.

City and County government officials have set restrictions and guidelines for visitors to their respective offices and ask if you have business with any local government agency to first call them before making an in-person visit.

We continue to receive questions regarding testing for the COVID-19. In accordance with State Department of Health guidelines:

1. Patient requiring hospitalization with fever and lower respiratory symptoms, constituting:
  - a. Admission to the hospital due to complications of their acute respiratory illness.
  - b. Negative for other sources of infection.
  
2. Healthcare workers (inpatient, outpatient, nursing home, and other long-term service facilities) who provide direct patient care to at risk patients:
  - a. Symptomatic with fever and lower respiratory symptoms and in their role has potential or unknown exposure to at risk patients.
  - b. Negative for other sources of infection.
  
3. Long-term care facility residents or prison/jail residents and staff (who have direct contact with patients or inmates):
  - a. Symptomatic with fever and respiratory illness and otherwise no known COVID-19 contact.
  - b. Negative for other sources of infection.

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