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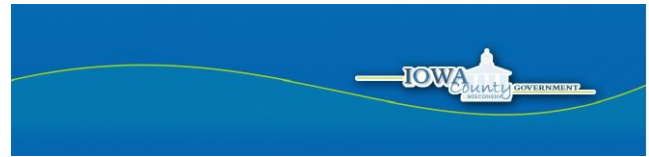
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Watching Out for Wisconsin's Children and Families

Iowa County **–**
As Wisconsin keeps physically healthy by staying Safer at Home, children have fewer interactions with many of the professionals trained to observe and mandated to report suspected child abuse.

It is critical now, more than ever, for families, friends, and neighbors to be aware of the signs of child abuse and neglect and to know how to report those signs to their local child welfare agencies.

This one-page flyer from the Department of Children and Families can help you and your partners understand the signs of abuse and neglect and know how to report suspected incidents. If you suspect abuse or neglect, contact your county's child protective services (CPS) agency immediately. Your local CPS agency's contact information can be found online or by calling the United Way's resource line by dialing 2-1-1.

Case Update

      7   Positive Test Results in Iowa County
    207   Negative Test Results in Iowa County
  4,845 Positive Test Results in Wisconsin
49,502 Negative Test Results in Wisconsin
  1,302 (26%) Hospitalizations
    246 Deaths in Wisconsin

For a broader picture of the number of cases and additional detail see
https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/outbreaks/index.htm

Announcements

- **COVID-19 Could Affect Severe Weather Sheltering Plans.** With severe weather season underway in Wisconsin, it's essential that people reevaluate their planning and anticipate the effects COVID-19 could have on where they take shelter. While it is important to practice good social distancing, ReadyWisconsin encourages everyone to make sure that doesn't prevent them from seeking safety during a severe thunderstorm or tornado warning.   "While COVID-19 remains a serious threat to public health, severe weather also poses a major risk to the safety of everyone in its path," said Dr. Darrell L. Williams, Wisconsin Emergency Management administrator. "While we do want people to practice safe social distancing when possible, that should never stop them from going to a shelter during a dangerous weather event." For more information visit https://dma.wi.gov/DMA/wemnews/2020wemnews/20056

- **Upland Hills Health Hospital and Clinics:**
  - 4/21/2020: Monfort Clinic is now re-open 9 -3 pm.
  - 4/6/2020: UHH is not accepting delivery of food, flowers or gifts. Donations to the COVID-19 Relief Fund will help fund new food service supplies and protocols for feeding staff and patients safely. Donate by calling 608.930.7169 or at *www.uplandhillshealth.org/relief*
  - Effective 3/30 - UHH Clinics in Dodgeville, Mineral Point and Mt. Horeb are open 9 AM-3 PM Monday-Friday.
- **The Wisconsin Emergency Assistance Volunteer Registry (WEAVR)** is a secure, password-protected, web-based volunteer registration system for health care and behavioral health professionals. We continue to seek individuals interested in filling critical response and recovery roles during a major public health emergency such as the current pandemic. In Iowa County we are reaching out to individuals who have registered on WEAVR to provide information and gauge interest in helping locally. Training will be provided at the reporting site. EMS or retired folks, we would welcome you if able and/or interested. If you have an interest in helping out locally, please register on WEAVR. Questions about WEAVR? See Frequently Asked Questions. Feel free to also call the Iowa County Health Department at 608.930.9870.

Important Sources of Information

- **211 Wisconsin** is an easy and helpful resource for COVID 19 questions. Simply call 211 from your phone https://211wisconsin.communityos.org/

- **For localized information:**

Please monitor the following Social Media sites:
Iowa County Public Health on Facebook - https://www.facebook.com/iowacountyhealthdepartment/
Upland Hills Health on Facebook - https://www.facebook.com/UplandHillsHealthHospital/
Iowa County Emergency Management on Twitter - https://twitter.com/ICEMWI
Iowa County Emergency Management on Facebook - https://www.facebook.com/icemwi/

Monitor the following websites:
Iowa County COVID 19 https://www.iowacounty.org/
Upland Hills Health https://www.uplandhillshealth.org/patient-visitors/covid-19-novel-coronavirus-information/
WI Department of Health Services (DHS) https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/outbreaks/index.htm
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

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