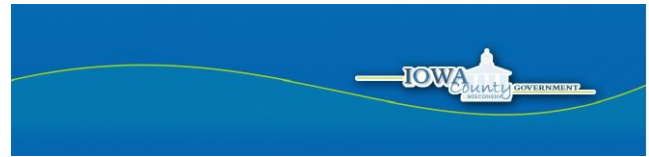


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Well Badger Resource Center

Iowa County – Partnerships are public health! One of our partners is the Well Badger Resource Center. It helps Wisconsin families with health care and financial services they need.

The Well Badger Resource Center is a health information and referral service operated by the **Wisconsin Women's Health Foundation** (WWHF), in partnership with the **Wisconsin Department of Health Services**. Well Badger is the new home of the Wisconsin MCH Hotlines, Wisconsin First Step, and Wisconsin Informed Consent Help Lines.

The Well Badger Resource Center provides Information & Referral (I&R) services to individuals, families, and health professionals throughout the state. They specialize in information and referrals for health care services and resources including WIC, BadgerCare Plus, Wisconsin Well Woman, services for children and youth with special health care needs, mental health services, and many more.

Well Badger Resource Center is staffed by AIRS-Certified Information & Referral Specialists. Services are available to individuals from across Wisconsin, operating **Monday through Friday** from **7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.** Assistance is also available via email, text message, online live chat, and online searchable database.

Check out this helpful resource at https://www.wellbadger.org/s/?language=en_US

Case Update

5 Positive Test Results in Iowa County
166 Negative Test Results in Iowa County
3,721 Positive Test Results in Wisconsin
39,326 Negative Test Results in Wisconsin
1,091 (29%) Hospitalizations
182 Deaths in Wisconsin

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

Announcements

- **Upland Hills Health Hospital and Clinics:**
 - 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.
- **Wisconsin's Tornado and Severe Weather Awareness Week: April 13-17** Governor Tony Evers has declared April 13-17 Tornado and Severe Weather Awareness Week in Wisconsin, and ReadyWisconsin is encouraging everyone to take time this spring to talk about weather safety with their families. ReadyWisconsin, the National Weather Service and Wisconsin Broadcasters Association also encourage everyone in the state to participate in a Virtual Tornado Drill at 1:45 p.m. on April 16. For more info visit ReadyWisconsin.gov
- **The Wisconsin Emergency Assistance Volunteer Registry (WEAVR)**, is a secure, password-protected, web-based volunteer registration system for health care and behavioral health professionals. Volunteers interested in filling critical response and recovery roles following a major public health emergency self-register and are the only ones that can update their information. Based on the information collected from each volunteer, public health officials identify those professionals willing to fill the specific volunteer roles needed in an emergency. Public health officials use the WEAVR registry to generate a list of volunteers to be contacted. Those contacted will be given information on where to report and the role that is needed, as well as the option to accept or decline the opportunity. Training will be provided at the reporting site. More questions about WEAVR? See a list of [Frequently Asked Questions](#).

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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