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Delta, Colorado, April 21, 2020 – Delta County Daily Update

UPDATED Testing Information: Delta County Health Department is reporting no new cases today; our case count remains at 25:

- 14 individuals have tested positive.
- 11 individuals have been in close contact with an individual who tested positive, and have experienced COVID-19 symptoms.

Per Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, the number of cases includes people who have had a test that indicated they were positive for COVID-19. The number of cases also includes epidemiologically-linked cases—or cases where public health epidemiologists have determined that infection is highly likely because a person exhibited symptoms and had close contact with someone who tested positive.

Additional information: 3 individuals have recovered, and 1 death has been reported.

To date, 204 tests have been administered at Delta County Memorial Hospital; not all tests are performed at Delta County Memorial Hospital.

Business Recovery Center Update:

Delta County's Covid-19 Business Loan Fund is now available. For information please visit:

<http://deltacounty.com/DocumentCenter/View/11641/Delta-County-Business-Loan-Packet>

Additionally, weekly industry calls have been consolidated, for more information please visit:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/COVID.Delta.Montrose.Biz/>

State Updates:

The State health department launched a pilot version of symptom tracker survey as part of statewide COVID-19 tracking. The symptom tracker will appear on the ["Do you have symptoms?" webpage](#) on the COVID-19 website. Data from the tracker will provide local public health agencies with data for their coverage area. This could help public health officials understand when outbreaks are occurring in given locations and, in some cases, follow up with certain individuals who may need additional support. Knowing about potential outbreaks more immediately can help inform decisions to take action at the local level. Delta County Residents are encouraged to call the Delta County Call Center at 970-874-2172 if they need assistance in filling out the symptom tracker; they are available Monday – Friday from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm.

What to do if you're sick:

- <https://covid19.colorado.gov/isolation-and-quarantine>
- Self-Isolate. If you develop a fever, cough or shortness of breath you may need to call your healthcare provider. Do not show up at a clinic, urgent care or the emergency department without calling ahead.
- Wear a mask and cover your cough or sneeze.
- Wash your hands frequently and don't share personal items (drinking glass or utensils) with others.
- If possible, sleep in a bedroom and use a bathroom that is not used by other household members.
- Getting rest and drinking plenty of fluids will likely be helpful for recovery.

Protect yourself:

- Stay at home: <https://covid19.colorado.gov/stay-home-except-essential-needs>
- Wear a mask when you leave your home or yard.
- Practice social distancing
 - Try to keep 6 feet between yourself and other people whenever possible, particularly when you or others are sick. No hugs, no handshakes.
 - Wash your hands regularly, especially before eating or touching your mouth and nose.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.



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Delta County Resources:

- www.deltacounty.com/COVID-19
- deltahospital.org/getpage.php?ame=Novel_Coronavirus_%28COVID-19%29
- <https://covid19.colorado.gov/>
- cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html