



EVENT NAME: COVID 19 Corona Virus

DATE: March 4, 2020

TIME: 15:00 pm

CURRENT SITUATION

Henry County Government, under the guidance of the District 4 Georgia Department of Health, has formed a Corona Virus committee to help educate and inform the public with the latest updates and news. As daily news reports about the Corona virus (COVID-19) change, we want citizens to be informed of the latest protocols and best practices. The CDC has made available on its website best practices to keep you and your family healthy and I urge you to visit their site for the latest information www.cdc.gov. Also, as with any emergency, whether it be weather-related or health -related, www.ready.gov is an invaluable source of information.

Only 2 Cases of COVI19 in the State of Georgia and the risk remains extremely low for our state currently

We continue to encourage good personal hygiene for our team members when interacting with the public and coworkers.

Next 12 Hours:

Public Health Response

Active surveillance of any persons returning from a CDC identified COVID-19 travel advisory country which
Currently includes: China, South Korea, Japan, Iran, Italy

The Georgia Public Health Lab has received the test kits this week. Testing capability will be up and running early next week.

District 4 Public Health Emergency Preparedness staff has met with multiple county leadership teams.

District 4 Public Health has been meeting internally to prepare for a broader response.

From District 4 Public Health:

Prevention

Currently, there is no vaccine for COVID-19.

The same measures that are urged to prevent the spread of any respiratory virus are increasingly important for all Georgians:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or use a tissue to cover it, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

DATE: March 2, 2020

TIME: 4:30 p.m.

CURRENT SITUATION

- County leadership hosted a meeting this afternoon including the District 4 Department of Health, the Board of Education, the cities, area private schools and other stakeholders to discuss current information regarding the Corona virus (COVID-19).
- Officials from the District 4 Department of Health updated stakeholders and advised that if someone suspects they have the corona virus to call 1-866-PUB-HLTH and ask for a “med epi”.
- Information is updated at least daily on the CDC website, sometimes several times throughout the day, and that is where all official information can be found. www.cdc.gov
- As with any emergency, being prepared is key. [Www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) has helpful information and checklists.
- Established the local Corona Virus Committee.