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Update on COVID-19 Cases in Platte County, WY

[Wheatland, WY, 8/24/2020] Since 4/27/2020, Platte County has had 10 quarantine cases (3 currently active, 7 closed), 6 positive cases (0 active as of 8/21/2020, 5 recovered, 1 death), and 1 probable case (not active). As of today, there has not been evidence of community spread.

Please know Platte County Public health, the Emergency Manager, and our County Health Officer are working hard to keep our community safe and the information shared is to keep you updated and aware of how our community is doing in preventing the spread of COVID-19.

For these most recent cases (3 close contact quarantines), the follow up is still ongoing and may result in more numbers added to Platte County positive cases. As part of the process, people who may have had close contact with a person who tests positive for COVID-19 will be or have been identified and contacted by the Wyoming Department of Health. Community members will be notified individually if it is determined that they were a close contact with the diagnosed COVID-19 positive person.

The Platte County Health Department wants to remind all Platte County residents:

- Wear a face covering in public places when you cannot distance yourself appropriately.
- To stay home when sick and to avoid contact with others unless you need to seek medical attention. Individuals with a fever, cough, or influenza-like illness, regardless of travel history should call their healthcare provider for a phone evaluation. If you are having a true medical emergency, please call 911.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces such as doorknobs, light switches, countertops, faucets, sinks, phones, keypads, etc.

To receive more information and updates on COVID-19 in Platte County, WY please go to https://www.plattecountywyoming.com/. More Wyoming information on COVID-19 can be found at https://health.wyo.gov/publichealth/infectious-disease-epidemiology-unit/disease/novelcoronavirus/.

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