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COVID-19 Cases in Platte County, WY: Updated on 9/17/2020

3 new positive cases, and 2 close contact quarantines added to Platte County in the last 24 hours.

[Platte County, WY, 9/17/2020] As of today, Platte County has had 17 quarantine cases (7 currently active, 10 closed), 13 positive cases (7 active as of 9/17/2020, 5 recovered, 1 death), and 5 symptomatic probable cases (4 active, 1 closed). Probable cases and close contact quarantines may change to positive as we receive more testing information.

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.

As part of the process, people who have close contact with a person who tests positive for COVID-19 have been identified and contacted by the Wyoming Department of Health. Community members are notified individually if it is determined they are a close contact with the diagnosed COVID-19 positive person. Positive and probable cases are required to be in 10-day minimum isolation. Close contacts of positive cases are required to be in a 14-day quarantine starting on their last date of contact of a positive unless they become symptomatic during their quarantine period.

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. Masks/face coverings are shown to be effective in preventing the spread of COVID-19.
- Stay home when sick and to avoid contact with others unless you need to seek medical attention. Individuals with a fever, cough, loss of smell/taste, fatigue, chills, muscle aches/pains, and/or sore throat, should visit their healthcare provider. 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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