

Annie Jeffrey Memorial County Health Center is staying vigilant amid growing concern about COVID-19, also called coronavirus. We are taking precautionary steps to protect our patients, community members and staff from COVID-19. At the moment, there are NO known cases of COVID-19 in our area. However, because there is no vaccine or medical intervention for COVID-19, we want to keep the chance of infection to a minimum.

Any patient experiencing cold or flu symptoms including but not limited to fever, coughing and/or shortness of breath, and are wanting to be seen by a healthcare professional, are being asked to call 402-747-2031 BEFORE going to the clinic or emergency room so we can be prepared for your arrival. Patients showing symptoms as listed above will be asked to wear a protective face mask as a precaution and ensure the safety of our staff and fellow patients.

Please notify staff if you or member of your family may have been in close contact to or exposed to someone with a confirmed case of COVID-19. Our emergency department remains open for all medical emergencies 24/7, however, please call 402-747-2031 BEFORE coming if you are exhibiting the signs and symptoms listed above.

Effective immediately, **we will be closing down our Wellness Center to the public until further notice.** This decision has been made after careful review and consideration by the hospital Infection Control Committee and recommendations from the CDC. Please be assured that you will be given credit to your membership for the time of closure. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding. Please call Annie Jeffrey for more information at 402-747-2031.

If you have not traveled from an area where COVID-19 is spreading or have not been in contact with an infected patient, your risk of infection is low. It is understandable that you may feel anxious about the outbreak. Get the facts from reliable sources to help to know your risks so you can take reasonable precautions:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/index.html>