

County Health Officials Confirm 5 New Positive Cases All in Kingman Area Now 36 Positive Cases in County 2 Earlier Deaths Are Included

MOHAVE COUNTY, AZ (April 11, 2020) – The Mohave County Health Department (MCDPH) Nursing staff was notified of five COVID-19 positive cases out of the Kingman area today. The contact investigations have been initiated regarding with all five cases. None of the cases have been determined to be travel-related nor are they epidemiologically linked to any known cases.

Here are the five cases: The first is in the 55-64 year age range; case two is under age 20; case three is in the 55-64 year age range; case four is in the 20-44 year age range; and case five is in the 45-54 year age range. All five individuals are currently in isolation and recovering at home.

These new five cases bring to 36 the total positives cases in Mohave County. There are now 16 positive confirmed cases in the Lake Havasu City area, including two earlier deaths, sixteen in Kingman, and four in Bullhead City.

The best ways to prevent the spread of COVID-19:

- 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.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick, or if you are a not an essential employee.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then immediately throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

COVID-19 spreads through the air when an infected person coughs or sneezes. Symptoms are thought to appear within two to 14 days after exposure and consist of fever, cough, runny nose, and difficulty breathing. For people with mild illness, individuals are asked to stay home, drink plenty of fluids, and get rest. For people with more severe symptoms, such as shortness of breath, individuals are advised to seek healthcare, using telemedicine where available.

Mohave County activated its Health Department Operations Center on February 1, 2020, after the first case of travel-associated COVID-19 was confirmed in Arizona. The Health Department

Operations Center remains open to coordinate the County's response to the COVID-19 outbreak.

For more information about the COVID-19 response in Arizona, go online to: <u>https://azdhs.gov/</u>

For more detailed information about COVID-19 in Mohave County, please visit <u>https://covid-19-mohave.hub.arcgis.com/</u>.