



**CHEYENNE COUNTY HOSPITAL, CHEYENNE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, CHEYENNE COUNTY EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT, AND CHEYENNE COUNTY VILLAGE**

NEWS RELEASE

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**Cluster at Cheyenne County Village identified in
Cheyenne County, Kansas**

Cheyenne County, Kansas—Cheyenne County Hospital/County Health Department is announcing a cluster of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Cheyenne County, Kansas.

The cluster involves 43 confirmed residents and employees of the Cheyenne County Village. We anticipate KDHE reporting Cheyenne County Hospital as an outbreak with 3 confirmed employees and further testing being conducted.

Though there have been deaths in Cheyenne County, these deaths have not been attributed to Covid. All death certificates are reviewed by KDHE who make an independent determination whether the death is Covid related or not based on cause of death. That person could have tested positive or negative.

Covid-19 test results are reported in the county of the permanent address of the individual. This also includes those that are hospitalized elsewhere.

The County Health Department is working to identify all close contacts of these individuals and those who were exposed are being contacted. We have provided instruction to these case contacts to monitor for symptoms of COVID-19, to include fever and respiratory symptoms. No further information about the patients will be released.

KDHE has released guidelines (http://www.kdheks.gov/coronavirus/COVID-19_Resource_Center.htm for quarantine and isolation. These guidelines are available on our Facebook page and county residents can stay informed by visiting this page or www.kdhe.ks.gov/coronavirus. For information on the KDOC’s response to COVID-19, visit <https://www.doc.ks.gov/kdoc-coronavirus-updates>.