



JACKSON COUNTY

Oregon

COVID-19 UPDATE 3/29/20

	CASES	FATALITIES
WORLD (3/29/20, per Johns Hopkins)	713,171	33,597
USA (3/29/20, per Johns Hopkins)	136,880	2,409
OREGON (3/29/20, per OHA)	548	13
JACKSON COUNTY(3/29/20, per JC HHS)	19	0

(Note: The above numbers are current at the time of release, but continue to change constantly.)

PRESS RELEASE ON BEHALF OF JACKSON COUNTY

If you have any questions, or would like an interview, please reach out to the contact listed below.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: March 29, 2020

For media interviews with Dr. Jim Shames, Jackson County Medical Director, please contact Tanya Phillips. Dr. Shames will be available between 2:40 pm and 3:15 pm.

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Jackson County Public Health Reports New COVID-19 Cases

[Medford, Oregon] — March 29, 2020, Jackson County Public Health is reporting six new COVID-19 cases. There is now a total of 19 COVID-19 cases in Jackson County. This matches the total from Oregon Health Authorities. There are no fatalities in Jackson County, from COVID-19, at this time.

Of the six new cases, 50% are male and 50% are female. Two are between the ages of 20-29, one between 50-59, one between 60-69, and two between 70-79.

Jackson County Public Health wants the community to have information on the number of confirmed cases in a timely fashion. Therefore, as Jackson County Public Health releases this information, the number of cases may not match what is published on the Health Authority's website. This also means that Jackson County Public Health may not have complete information about each case, as we will be in the beginning stages of our case investigation. Once the case investigation is completed, additional information will be added to the Jackson County Health and Human Services website. If there is an increased risk to the community, such as a location where many people may have been exposed, additional information will be provided.

Now, more than ever, Jackson County Public Health is asking the public to practice social distancing. "How well we isolate ourselves now will determine how much illness we have next week," according to Dr. Jim Shames, Jackson County Health Officer. "It is critical that as a community, we do our part by practicing social distancing and staying home to protect ourselves,

our family, friends and neighbors,” says Tanya Phillips, Health Promotion Manager for Jackson County Public Health.

Here are what individuals should and shouldn't do under Governor Kate Brown's executive orders that are in place to flatten the curve:

Do

- Stay home as much as possible; this includes kids and teens
- Stay at least 6 feet away from others any time you are out
- Go out only for essentials (groceries and medical care), drop food off to neighbors who can't go out
- Exercise outside and remain 6 feet apart from other people
- Have video and phone chats

Don't

- Gather in groups
- Get together with friends and family outside your immediate household (no drinks or dinners)
- Have playdates for kids
- Make unnecessary trips

For more information:

The public can call 211-information with general questions

OHA Emerging Respiratory Disease page: www.healthoregon.org/coronavirus

CDC COVID-19 page: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

Jackson County Health and Human Services: <http://jacksoncountyor.org/hhs/COVID-19>

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