



# Linn County Department of Health Services

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*"Working together to promote the health and well-being of all Linn County residents"*

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## **Linn County Department of Health Services Update Regarding COVID-19: March 18, 2020**

Linn County Department of Health Services has learned that a local Health Care Provider has tested positive for COVID-19. If you came in contact with the person, you will be notified and provided with steps you can take to care for yourself and your loved ones. In keeping with our privacy practices, Department of Health Services will not be releasing the name of any persons who are positive or any identifying information.

Linn County Department of Health Services staff continue to work in partnership with the Oregon Health Authority, local health services, fire and emergency medical services, and our community based organizations to protect the health and wellbeing of the public. Linn County Public Health is running an Emergency Operations Center to coordinate preparedness and response efforts across the county in order to support community capacity to respond to this rapidly evolving situation.

You can take steps to protect yourself and your loved ones at this time, including:

- Wash your hands with soap and warm water for 20 seconds
- Do not touch your eyes, mouth, nose, or face with unwashed hands
- Practice social distancing of three to six feet
- Stay home if you are not feeling well
- Call your primary care provider or, if you do not have a primary care provider, your local urgent care if you have any symptoms including a fever, shortness of breath, and cough.

We encourage all residents to stay informed:

- Check in with Linn County Public Health thru our [Facebook page](#) for up to date information and recommendations
- Visit OHA's [COVID-19 page](#) and sign up to get regular updates
- Visit the CDC's [COVID-19 page](#)
- Call the Linn County Public Health COVID-19 Call Center at 541-967-3888. The call center is open from 8:30 am – 5:00 pm seven days a week.

We recognize that this is a very uncertain time for everyone and we want to express our gratitude to our community partners and community members for all the work they have done and continue to do to protect the health and wellbeing of folks who live and work in Linn County. The health of the public is a team effort and we are grateful to be part of your team.

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