

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Employer Forum

- March 27, 2020

COVID-19 Dashboard

Updated: 3/26/2020 4:06 p.m.

OH Lab Testing Counts	Total	Positive	Negative	Pending
Totals	321	23	201	97
Inpatient Lab	29	1	22	6
OH Screening Site (PAC Building)	195	14	124	57
ED	28	0	22	6
MCH Lab	69	8	33	28

Green River District Health Department Positive Cases

County	Count
Daviess	22
Henderson	2
Muhlenberg	7
Webster	1
Union	1
Hopkins	1
Total in Region	33

Kentucky Total Cases 248

6. Owensboro Health Medical Group will be offering employer partners onsite health screening services as a community benefit.

7. If you have questions for medical staff, Dr. Rhodes, or the health system related to COVID-19, please email kelly.conner@owensborohealth.org.

8. Ashley Phillips is available to assist with any occupational medicine/wellness questions for employers across the region at 270-688-4162.

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COVID-19 Update No. 8

March 23, 2020 - As of Monday afternoon, twelve (12) cases of COVID-19 have been confirmed in Western Kentucky: eight (8) in Daviess County, two (2) in Henderson County and our first two (2) cases in Muhlenberg County. One of these cases is being treated at Owensboro Health Regional Hospital while the rest are in self quarantine at home.

We've expected these numbers to rise as testing increases, and we've been preparing for our first hospitalized case of COVID-19. These numbers will continue to grow, but the majority of cases will fully recover at home.

As always, practice social distancing and stay home as much as possible. Taking these simple precautions can limit everyone's exposure to the virus.

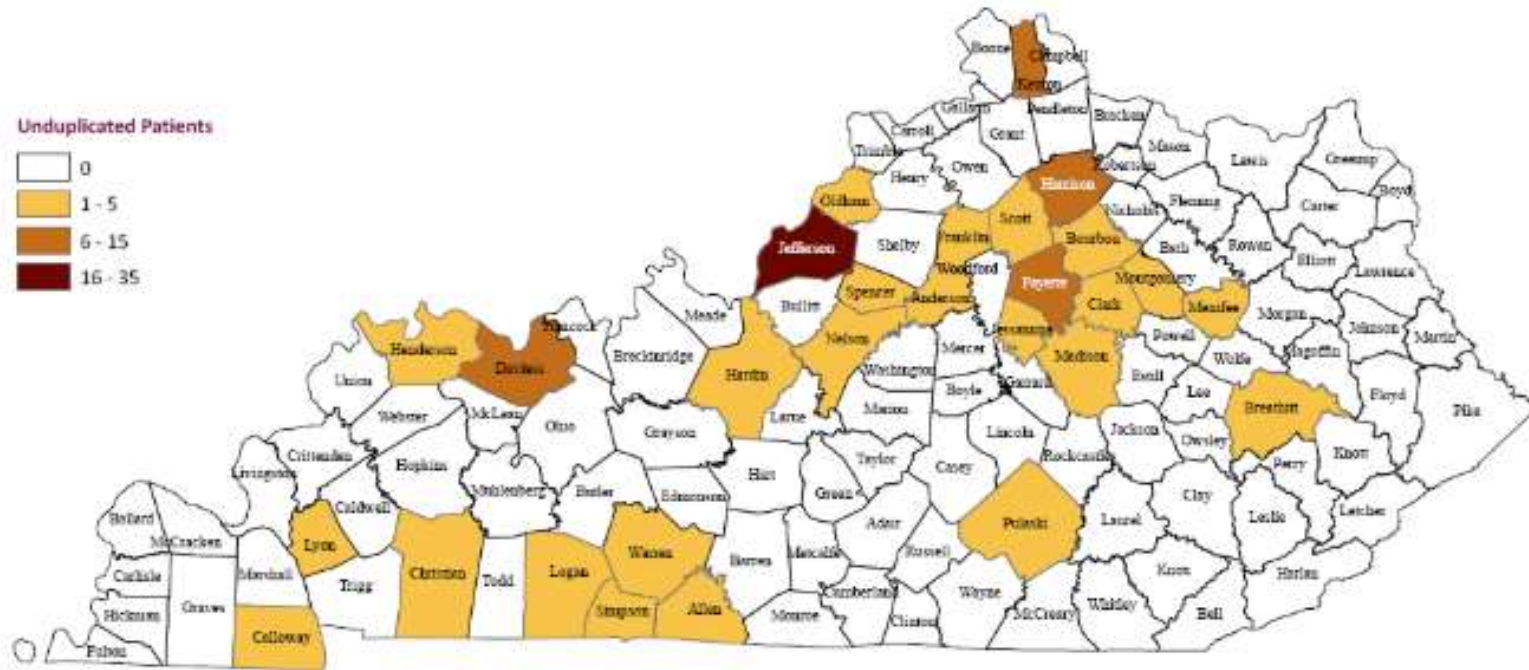
Daily Dashboard

In Kentucky, at least 124 cases have been confirmed so far and with tests beginning to be more readily available, we expect this number to grow. The [Daily Dashboard](#) shows the status of the COVID-19 tests and quantities of supplies on hand.



Dr. Francis DuFrayne

Patients Tested Positive for COVID-19 in Kentucky



Statewide Count: 124

County information missing: 13 cases

Date of Report: March 23, 2020 (4:00 PM EST)

Data Source: Kentucky Department for Public Health (KDPH)

In the event of a discrepancy between case confirmations, please note kycovid19.ky.gov is reporting confirmed cases by the Kentucky Department of Public Health (KDPH). We are working diligently to confirm cases as they are reported to KDPH.

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COVID-19 Hotline (800) 722-5725

The COVID-19 hotline is a service operated by the healthcare professionals at the KY Poison Control Center who can provide advice and answer questions. Please be patient as we are handling a high volume of calls and want to give everyone the time they deserve. For general information, please review the website prior to calling the hotline. Guidance is being added as it becomes available.

Current as of March 23, 2020 at 5 p.m. Eastern time

Kentucky Coronavirus Monitoring

Number Tested: 1866

Positive: 124

Note: Data includes confirmed cases of COVID-19 reported to KDPH.

The audience for this self-assessment authored by the CDC currently on the Owensboro Health website is the general public.

Please clarify with your staff that when not engaged in essential activities, such as work, the recommendation is that they stay home.

Self-assessment

Ask yourself these questions:

1. Do you have 2 of the 3 following symptoms: (Yes/No)
 - Fever (100.4 degrees or higher)
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath
2. In the last month, have you been in contact with someone who was confirmed or suspected to have COVID-19? (Yes/No)
3. In the last month, have you traveled internationally or to an area with a known COVID-19 outbreak? (Yes/No)

If you answered "NO" to both Questions #1 and #2 *or* both Questions #1 and #3:

Please, stay home. Continue to follow the CDC recommended prevention methods above and monitor for a change in symptoms.

If you answered "YES" to both Questions #1 and #2 *or* both Questions #1 and #3:

If you are below age 60 and have no other health issues, you should stay home and self-quarantine for 14 days.

- If you have to be out in the community or if your symptoms worsen, call your Primary Care Provider or our COVID-19 Hotline ([1-877-888-6647](tel:1-877-888-6647)) and we may end up having you come through our Drive Thru testing site.

If you are over age 60, please call your Primary Care Provider or our Hotline ([1-877-888-6647](tel:1-877-888-6647)) and we will likely set-up a drive-through testing appointment for you.

When to seek medical care:

Some of the most common symptoms of coronavirus are many of the same symptoms of the common cold or flu – fever, cough and shortness of breath. So, it could be difficult to determine at what point to seek medical care.

As concern around the outbreak grows, review these recommendations from the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) if you suspect you may be infected:

- Monitor your symptoms. Seek prompt medical attention if your illness is worsening (e.g. difficulty breathing). BEFORE seeking care, call your healthcare provider and tell them that you have, or are being evaluated for COVID-19. Put on a facemask before you enter the facility (your doctor's office may be able to provide one to you). These steps will help the health care provider's office to keep other people in the office or waiting room from getting infected or exposed. Ask your healthcare provider to call the local or state health department. Persons who are placed under active monitoring or facilitated self-monitoring should follow instructions provided by their local health department or occupational health professionals, as appropriate.
- Calling 911. If you have a medical emergency and need to call 911, notify the dispatch personnel that you have, or are being evaluated for COVID-19. If possible, put on a facemask before emergency medical services arrive.

Owensboro Health Medical Group Employer Partner Onsite Employee Health Screenings

- Owensboro Health Medical Group values our employer partners and their endeavors to assist our public health departments our medical community in fighting this public health crisis.
- We are trying to send staff to your employer location preceding each shift to screen for health. We will ask the screening questions and log the temperature of each employee. These services may be available when staff is available.
- This log is maintained by the employer.
- Any individual who answers the screening questions in such a way that our screeners feel it is necessary for a formal screening by the KDPH or the Owensboro Health COVID-19 hotline, will be directed to do so.
- Any individual with a temperature greater than 100.4° F will be directed to contact the human resources representative and not allowed to enter the facility.
- Owensboro Health is providing this as a community benefit in partnership with our employers as a means to slow the spread of the virus while affording our employers an opportunity to maintain vital production.

- You will need to provide your own forehead or non-contact thermometers.
- We hope to be ready to deploy staff as early as Wednesday, 3/25/20.
- The workflow is still being written as we discuss more needs with our employer partners. Thank you for your patience.
- If you're interested, you'll need to email kelly.conner@owensborohealth.org the shift schedule, how many employees per shift, and the duration you want the screeners present. I will reach out to you to discuss details related to where staff reports, setup instructions, logs, standard work instructions, etc.