

News Release

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Whitman County received its second positive test on Monday, March 23, 2020, 70-79 year old female. Public Health Department is investigating close contacts. More information to follow as available.

The Whitman County Health Department regularly updates their Facebook page with helpful information regarding personal protection and the status of county health operations.

The Whitman County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) remains partially activated and is carefully monitoring the situation and providing interagency coordination above and beyond normal day-to-day operations. As part of this activation, the Health Department is collecting information on COVID testing, monitoring hospital admissions for indications of COVID-19 presence, and determining the personal protective equipment supply needs of primary care and long-term care facilities. Whitman County Emergency Management is in contact with the Washington State Emergency Management Division providing them updates on county status and ongoing operations.

The Washington Department of Health has established a call center to address questions from the public. If you have questions about how the virus is spread, and what to do if you have symptoms, please call 1-800-525-0127 and press #.

The Whitman County Health Department website contains information concerning COVID-19. Please visit <https://www.whitmancountypublichealth.org/>. The DOH website is your source for an additional healthy dose of information - doh.wa.gov. Find both the Whitman County Health Department and the WA DOH on Facebook.