



# LaGrange County Health Department

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a respiratory illness that can spread from person to person. Patients with COVID-19 have experienced mild to severe respiratory illness, including fever, cough and shortness of breath. The virus that causes COVID-19 is a novel (new) coronavirus. It is not the same as other types of coronaviruses that commonly circulate among people and cause mild illness, like the common cold.

**To date, there has been no individuals testing positive for Coronavirus (COVID-19) in LaGrange County.**

There is no vaccine available that can protect against the virus; however advanced personal hygiene can help protect from being infected.

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water aren't available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Clean frequently touched surfaces and objects daily.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue then throw the tissue in the trash

If you have symptoms, please call your healthcare provider before going to their waiting room this will allow them to be prepared with the proper personal protection clothing to protect you and themselves.

Public Health officials have strongly recommended community actions designed to help limit COVID-19 to include limiting gathering. Health Officer; Dr. Pechin, recommends for the time being to modify, postpone or cancel large events for the safety and well-being of the community. Limiting any gatherings is intended to reduce the chance of the virus spreading.

The most up to date information on COVID-19 can be found at [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus) updated Indiana specific information can be found at [www.in.gov](http://www.in.gov) or <https://www.in.gov/isdh/28470.htm>

**For questions please call the COVID-19 hotline (317) 233-7125.**

The LaGrange County Health Department continues to closely monitor the situation and will issue updates as appropriate.