

COVID19 Broadwater County/City of Townsend MT

Situation Report for April 29, 2020

Broadwater County Disaster and Emergency Services, Townsend, Montana

Montana COVID19 dashboard website [GIS map](#)

Townsend COVID19 Hotline 406-603-4524 (Daily 7 am to 7 pm)

Disaster Distress Helpline 1-800-985-5990 (24-hours everyday)

***Wash Your Hands! Stay calm!
Keep Your Distance! Be Not afraid!***

Situation Report # 40 Wednesday, April 29, 2020

Time issued: 10:30 am

Montana Summary

As of April 29, 2020, at 10:00 am a total of 451 individuals have tested positive in Montana. No new cases reported since yesterday.

- 451 total cases
- 382 Montanans have recovered
- 69 active cases currently
- 5 currently hospitalized
- 61 total hospitalizations to date
- 16 deaths in Montana to date

Over One Million COVID Cases in U.S.

The U.S., which has the highest number of confirmed cases in the world, has over one (1) million confirmed cases, with the number of deaths from the disease surpassing the [annual death toll for pneumonia and flu](#), according to the CDC.

When to Seek Medical Attention

If you have any of these **emergency warning signs** for COVID19 get **medical attention immediately**:

- Trouble breathing
 - Persistent pain or pressure in the chest
 - New confusion or inability to arouse
 - Bluish lips or face
- Call 911 if you have a medical emergency**
- Notify the 911 Dispatcher that you have, or think you might have, COVID19.
 - If possible, put on a cloth face covering before medical help arrives.

Broadwater County Case Summary

- 4 – Total confirmed cases
- 2 – Total active cases
- 2 – Total recovered case

COVID19 Case Update		
4/29/20 at 10:00 am	Positive	Deaths
United States Today	1,015,289	58,529
United States Yesterday	990,135	56,135
Increase	25,154	2,394
<i>U.S. Total Recovered</i>	<i>115,955</i>	
<i>U.S. Recovered Yesterday</i>	<i>111,587</i>	
<i>Increase</i>	<i>4,368</i>	
Montana Today	451	16
Montana Yesterday	451	15
Increase	0	1
<i>MT Total Recovered</i>	<i>382</i>	
<i>MT Recovered Yesterday</i>	<i>356</i>	
<i>Increase</i>	<i>26</i>	
Gallatin County	146	0
Yellowstone County	80	3
Missoula County	39	1
Flathead County	37	1
Toole County	29	6
Lewis & Clark County	16	0
Cascade County	15	2
Silver Bow County	11	0
Madison County	8	1
Lincoln County	7	1
Park County	7	0
Roosevelt County	7	0
Carbon County	6	0
Glacier County	6	1
Lake County	5	0
Ravalli County	5	0
Broadwater County	4	0
Deer Lodge County	3	0
Big Horn County	3	0
Richard County	3	0
Liberty County	3	0
Jefferson County	2	0
Pondera County	2	0
Hill County	1	0
Meagher County	1	0
Musselshell County	1	0
Beaverhead County	1	0
Stillwater County	1	0
Golden Valley County	1	0
Wheatland County	1	0

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New and Additional Symptoms for COVID19

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has added six new symptoms to its existing list of symptoms for COVID19. The CDC has long said that fever, cough and shortness of breath are indications that someone might have the disease caused by the novel coronavirus. These symptoms may appear **2-14 days after exposure to the virus:**

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Chills
- Repeated shaking with chills
- Muscle pain
- Headache
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell

Decontamination of N95 Respirators

Montana has received a Battelle Critical Care Decontamination System to begin cleaning and disinfecting used N95 respirators. The system can decontaminate 80,000 used N95 respirators per day and a single respirator can be reused up to 20 times without degradation. To find out if you are eligible and learn how to sign up, read the [press release here](#).

As Montana slowly moves forward in reopening the economy in three phases, we all have a shared responsibility to keep the virus in-check and our community healthy and safe.

The coronavirus has proved highly contagious and potentially deadly, but the vast majority of people who become infected will show either no symptoms or only mild ones.

Guidelines for All Phases: Individuals

CONTINUE TO PRACTICE GOOD HYGIENE

- Wash your hands with soap and water or use hand sanitizer, especially after touching frequently used items or surfaces.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Sneeze or cough into a tissue, or the inside of your elbow.
- Disinfect frequently used items and surfaces as much as possible.
- Strongly consider using non-medical face coverings while in public, especially in circumstances that do not readily allow for appropriate physical distancing (grocery/retail stores, pharmacies, public transportation, etc.).

PEOPLE WHO FEEL SICK SHOULD STAY HOME

- Do not go to work or school.
- Contact and follow the advice of your medical provider.
- Follow local health department guidance on isolation and quarantine.

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Guidelines for All Phases: Employers

Develop and implement appropriate policies, in accordance with Federal, State, and local regulations and guidance, and informed by industry best practices, regarding:

- Social distancing and protective equipment.
- Temperature checks and/or symptom screening.
- Collaborate with public health on testing, isolating, and contact tracing.
- Sanitation.
- Use and disinfection of common and high-traffic areas.

Monitor workforce for indicative symptoms. Do not allow people with symptoms of COVID-19 to work.

Collaborate with public health when implementing policies and procedures for workforce contact tracing following an employee COVID+ test.

Montana Crisis and Emergency Resources

If you are experiencing a life-threatening emergency, call 911 immediately.

Telephone Resources

- Suicide Prevention HELP CENTER 1-800-273-8255**
Available: 24 hours per day, every day
- Montana Nurse First Line..... 1-800-330-7847**
Available: 24 hours per day, every day to Medicaid eligible persons
- Disaster Distress Help Line..... 1-800-985-5990**
Available: 24 hours per day, every day
- National Domestic Violence Hotline..... 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)**
or 1-800-787-3224

Text Resources

- For Suicidal Thoughts or Plans..... Text "MT" to 741741**
Available: 24 hours per day, every day
- Disaster Distress Help Line.....Text "TalkWithUs" to 66746**
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