



PRESS RELEASE

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For Immediate Release

Lewiston, ID – Nez Perce County, through its Office of Emergency Management and in partnership with the City of Lewiston, Public Health – Idaho North Central District and community first response agencies, is actively monitoring the COVID-19/Corona Virus situation.

At this time, there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the state of Idaho however, we are aware of confirmed cases in the nearby states of Washington, Oregon, California and Utah¹.

The best precautions at this time include standard recommendations for influenza season:

Proper personal hygiene such as regular, vigorous hand washing with soap & warm water for at least 20 seconds and use of “hand sanitizing” gel if handwashing is not an option.

Cover your cough and stay at home if sick.

Social Distancing by avoiding “touch” greetings (hugs, kisses, handshakes, etc) and keeping 6 feet of distance between you and others.

Sources of vetted information include:

The City of Lewiston, Idaho’s Corona Virus Information Page at

<https://cityoflewiston.org/CoronaVirus>

The State of Idaho’s Official Resources for the Novel Coronavirus website at

<https://coronavirus.idaho.gov/>

The Center for Disease Control’s Coronavirus specific website at

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

Press Releases will occur from this office on Wednesday of each week during this event or more frequently if new information needs to be communicated.

For more information, please contact the designated County PIO for this event:

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¹ <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/us/coronavirus-us-cases.html> (as of 1552 on 03/04/2020)