

LCDEM reports 14th confirmed positive case of COVID-19

Lavaca County, Texas Emergency Management is reporting its 14th confirmed positive case of COVID-19. The person is a resident of the City of Moulton and the origin of exposure is household spread. Currently, the person is isolating at home. State health officials will not confirm the age, gender, or any other identifying information.

Lavaca County, Texas Division of Emergency Management continues to communicate with other leaders in the county, including municipal, hospital, and school officials, Texas Department of Emergency Management, and the Department of State Health Services to coordinate efforts for the county's response to COVID-19.

There are things everyone can do to help prevent the spread of COVID-19:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then wash your hands.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Maintain a safe distance between individuals in business and social settings.

Minimizing exposure is especially important for people who are 65 or older or who have an underlying health condition like heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, high blood pressure, or cancer. People in those groups have a higher risk of developing the severe disease if they do get COVID-19, and the safest thing for them during an outbreak will be to stay home as much as possible and minimize close contact with other people. To get ready, they should talk to their doctor about getting additional prescription medications and have enough household items and groceries on hand to stay home as needed.

Additional information on Lavaca County COVID-19 response may be found on the LCDEM page on co.lavaca.tx.us or facebook.com/lctxdem.

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