

Friday, March 27, 2020 Cherokee County Daily Briefing Notes

As of the time of this email, Cherokee County still has one confirmed COVID-19 cases who remains under quarantine while the other positive case, having met criteria by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, is no longer quarantined.

Statewide, there are 202 positive cases and 4 deaths, an increase from 168 positive cases and 3 deaths reported yesterday. Johns Hopkins reports 585,040 cases worldwide and 97,028 in the United States, which is the leading country, followed by Italy with 86,498 cases.

During our 1:00 p.m. phone conference with the Kansas Department of Emergency Management, the following was discussed:

In media appearances this morning, Governor Kelly indicated there remains no statewide "Stay at Home" order, but the situation remains fluid and everything remains on the table.

The Board of Pharmacy reports the FDA released an emergency guidance for utilizing a ventilator for multiple people. In addition, some people have been going to pet stores to obtain chloroquine because there have been reports of doctors attempting to use hydroxychloroquine in COVID-19 patients. The chloroquine people are obtaining for pet stores are not for human consumption and have resulted in sicknesses and deaths.

Locally, the Cherokee County Health Department has been in regular contact with the assisted living facilities to check on them and all still remain good.

As always, if you need anything or have questions, please let me know.

Thanks,

Sheriff David Groves