

Monday, May 11, 2020 Local Briefing Notes

Locally

Cherokee County remains at 0 active positive cases. Since tracking started, Cherokee County has recorded 8 positive cases, but all have since recovered and are no longer considered contagious.

Statewide

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment will be posting COVID-19 updates on Monday, Wednesday and Friday's moving forward. Since positive case tracking began, they have reported 7,116 positives, which include 660 hospitalizations and 158 deaths. The state does not report recovered cases so it's unknown how many of these cases remain active today.

KDHE does plan to start reporting probable cases later this week. A probable case involves a person who meets pre-determined criteria.

Counties can now support dentists who may need PPE. However, they, just like any for-profit businesses, should first try to secure equipment themselves through their normal supply channels before going through the emergency management offices.

There will be additional media training on the Battelle System later this week.

Kansas Department of Corrections is reporting 697 positive inmates at Lansing and 2 positives at Topeka.

The National Weather Service reported a cold rain over the southern part of the state over the next couple of days. Then, Wednesday through Saturday, there will be chances for more active weather including flooding and thunderstorms.

The Kansas Attorney General has been asked to render an official opinion regarding the enforceability of Executive Orders. Governor Kelly stated during her afternoon press conference, the AG's Office has been involved to some degree in the issuance of EO's and they will be working with the AG's Office regarding this new request. I am attaching a copy of Attorney General Schmidt's statement from this morning.

John Hopkins University is reporting 1,332,411 confirmed total positive cases since tracking began. Included in that number are 79,606 deaths and 216,169 recovered cases.

Below is our local daily COVID-19 update.

Thanks!

Sheriff David Groves

