

## Monday, April 20, 2020 Local Briefing Notes

### **Locally**

Cherokee County has only one active case at this time.

### **Statewide**

Today, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment reported 1,986 positive cases, 405 hospitalizations, 100 deaths and 16,775 negative testes. This was an increase of 1,849 positive cases, 390 hospitalizations, 92 deaths and 16,281 negative tests reported yesterday.

I am attaching a copy of Executive Order 20-24, which extends the “Stay At Home” Order until 11:59 p.m. on May 3, 2020.

I am also attaching a copy of Executive Order 20-25, which rescinds 20-18. There are several clarifications in the 20-25 version, primarily in section “n” relating to retail establishments, section “r” regarding restaurants and the inclusion of section 5, specifying law enforcement should use discretion and consider the totality of the circumstances when determining any type of enforcement action.

In addition, through guidance provided by the Kansas Adjutant General’s Department, under Executive Order 20-25, Libraries are no longer exempt and must now comply with the 10-person limit as well as the six-foot distance requirements.

On the statewide 1:00 conference call, additional clusters appearing in various parts of Kansas was discussed.

The Governor’s team is strategizing on how to proceed following the expiration of the Stay at Home Executive Order (whenever that occurs), but there will first need to be 14 days of community-based testing which is down-trending (which is in accordance with the plan presented by the White House and the Centers for Disease Control). We are not close to being there in Kansas.

Testing capabilities have improved and they are able to run at least 1,000 tests per day at KDHE. This doesn’t include private labs and in several communities with clusters, Abbott Labs has a team located there to conduct community-based testing.

Governor Kelly also announced today through assistance from Senators Moran and Roberts, the state has acquired additional PPE for Finney, Ford, Lyon and Seward counties, primarily due to positive clusters in those locations, centered around food and meat processing plants.

### **Nationally**

The White House and Centers for Disease Control have published guidance on the “Re-opening of America.” There are set criteria to be met following by three phases of the plan. It is easily presented at the following website: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/openingamerica/>

**Globally**

The United States is reporting 766,212 positive cases followed by Spain with 200,210, Italy with 181,228 and France with 154,098.

Below is our local daily update.

Have a great and safe afternoon!

Thanks,  
Sheriff David Groves