

Wednesday, January 06, 2021

COVID-19 TESTS DONE AT FORKS COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

# Total Tests Performed	4,163
# TOTAL Confirmed Cases	109
# Currently Hospitalized	0
# Total Deaths	0
# Percent Positivity of Total Tests	2.6%
# Percent Positivity Over the Last Two Weeks	4.1
# Positive Cases over last 7 days	1
# Positive Cases over last 14 days	7

COVID-19 VIRUS, CLALLAM COUNTY WIDE

# Total Tests Performed	32,740
# TOTAL Confirmed Cases	776
# Currently Hospitalized	1
# Total Deaths	4
# Percent Positivity of Tests	2.7%
# Percent Positivity Over the Last Two Weeks	3.9%
# Percent of Deaths (deaths/confirmed cases)	0.5%
# Positive Cases over last 7 days	32
# Positive Cases over last 14 days	50
# RECOVERED ***Updated Weekly***	725

COVID-19 VIRUS, WASHINGTON STATE

# Total Molecular Tests Performed	3,949,632
# TOTAL Cases <i>Including 10,187 Probable Cases</i>	248,580
# Total Deaths	3,541
# Percent of Deaths (deaths/confirmed cases)	1.4%
# Percent Positivity of Tests over the last 7 days	10%
# Positive Cases over last 7 days	2,311
# Positive Cases over last 14 days	15,532

COVID-19 VIRUS, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

# Total Tests Performed	251,797,935
# TOTAL Confirmed Cases	20,960,096
# Total Deaths	356,005
# Percent of Deaths (deaths/confirmed cases)	1.7%
# Percent Positivity of Tests	8.8%
# Positive Cases over last 7 days	1,526,460
# Positive Cases over last 14 days	2,790,034

NOTE: From Department of Health regarding reported Washington numbers, “January 5, 2021 data note: Total case counts may include up to 700 duplicates. Negative test results data from November 21, 2020 through today are incomplete, thus percent positivity (Testing tab) and case counts should be interpreted with caution. The Epidemiologic Curves tab is the most accurate representation of COVID activity and is updated daily as new cases are identified and duplicates are resolved.”

Sources:

<http://www.clallam.net/Coronavirus/>

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/COVID19/DataDashboard>

https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#cases_casesper100klast7days

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/COVID19/DataDashboard>

<https://coronavirus.wa.gov/what-you-need-know/covid-19-risk-assessment-dashboard>

Forks Community Hospital

Department of Corrections


Numbers reflect those shared by sources on 01/06/2021 @ 1:20 pm

COVID-19 Vaccine Information

- As we approach each new phase and are made aware of timing and quantity of vaccine arrival, we will send out community communication regarding how to obtain the vaccination. Though plans through Department of Health are not complete for each phase yet, we at Forks Community Hospital have already begun the planning as to how we will reach out and vaccinate the community. At this time, we are not able to make appointments or start a list of those who are interested in the vaccine, we will let you know when this begins.
 - When we are permitted to vaccinate the general public, you can anticipate the need to be monitored for 15-30 minutes after receiving the vaccination.
 - You will need to have an appointment for the second dose 4 weeks later.
 - We do currently have the questionnaire that will need to be completed for each vaccine.
 - If you answer “yes” to any of these questions you will need to provide us with a note from your primary care provider stating that you may receive the vaccine, or we cannot proceed.
 - The questions are attached, and listed below, and can be seen here <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/downloads/pre-vaccination-screening-form.pdf>.
 - This will give you time to meet with your provider to discuss whether you should receive the vaccine.
- Vaccination of front-line workers (Phase 1a) is continuing and going very well.

- Forks Community Hospital front-line workers that have received the vaccination have not reported any severe reactions to either the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines.
- Second doses of the Pfizer vaccination will begin to be administered next week.
- Washington State Department of Health has a draft explaining phased vaccination guidelines that can be seen here [Interim COVID-19 Vaccination Plan \(wa.gov\)](#).

Pre-Vaccination Checklist for COVID-19 Vaccines



For vaccine recipients:

The following questions will help us determine if there is any reason you should not get the COVID-19 vaccine today. **If you answer "yes" to any question, it does not necessarily mean you should not be vaccinated.** It just means additional questions may be asked. If a question is not clear, please ask your healthcare provider to explain it.

Patient Name _____

Age _____

	Yes	No	Don't know
1. Are you feeling sick today?			
2. Have you ever received a dose of COVID-19 vaccine?			
• If yes, which vaccine product? <input type="checkbox"/> Pfizer <input type="checkbox"/> Moderna <input type="checkbox"/> Another product _____			
3. Have you ever had a severe allergic reaction (e.g., anaphylaxis) to something? For example, a reaction for which you were treated with epinephrine or EpiPen®, or for which you had to go to the hospital?			
• Was the severe allergic reaction after receiving a COVID-19 vaccine?			
• Was the severe allergic reaction after receiving another vaccine or another injectable medication?			
4. Have you received passive antibody therapy (monoclonal antibodies or convalescent serum) as treatment for COVID-19?			
5. Have you received another vaccine in the last 14 days?			
6. Have you had a positive test for COVID-19 or has a doctor ever told you that you had COVID-19?			
7. Do you have a weakened immune system caused by something such as HIV infection or cancer or do you take immunosuppressive drugs or therapies?			
8. Do you have a bleeding disorder or are you taking a blood thinner?			
9. Are you pregnant or breastfeeding?			

Form reviewed by _____ Date _____

COVID-19 & Testing for Travel

- Should you have an essential travel need, first check with the destination's Department of Health page for all COVID-19 restrictions and requirements.
- Call your airline if flying – many airlines have a list of accepted COVID-19 testing locations.

- For example, Hawaiian Airlines has a list of locations they send to passengers; passengers register with the airline in advance, and the airline dictates the passengers' testing windows.
- <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/COVID19/TestingforCOVID19/TestingLocations> - make sure to call in advance to ensure they are appropriately listed as a testing center and to determine the amount of time to anticipate for results to be generated.
- Many Walgreens locations in Washington State allow for you to register for a COVID-19 test.
 - <https://www.walgreens.com/findcare/covid19/testing>
- Costco has a travel approved COVID-19 test kit for around \$140. Make sure to check with your destination to ensure this kit is on the allowed list.
 - <https://www.costco.com/covid-test.html>
- COVID-19 tests for travel often incur a cost. Call around to find the best price.

COVID-19 Contact Tracing by Department of Health

- Attached you will find general infographics, in both English and Spanish, developed by Department of Health that outlines what you will and will not be asked. The English version can be found here: <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/1600/coronavirus/CT-WhatToExpectOnePagerEnglish.pdf>
- Dr. Allison Unthank MD, MPH – Clallam County Health Officer was clear, should someone claiming to be a contact tracer ask you for your social security number, immigration information, or financial information you should hang up and contact local law enforcement.
- Should you be contacted by a contact tracer and are worried that the call may be fraudulent, you can call (360) 417- 2274 to ensure the person contacting you is truly a contact tracer.
- If you test positive for COVID-19, you can find the questions you will be asked here: <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/1600/coronavirus/CT-WhatToExpectPositiveEnglish.pdf>
- If you came into contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19, you can find the questions you will be asked here: <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/1600/coronavirus/CT-WhatToExpectContactEnglish.pdf>
- If you think you may have been exposed to COVID-19, you are urged to call the Department of Health at (360)417-2274. They will take you through the process, step-by-step, to determine if you require isolation and/or COVID-19 testing.

Forks Community Hospital News

- Digital Newsletters will resume January 12, 2021.

COVID-19 TESTING AT FORKS COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

- Forks Community Hospital IS NOT A COVID-19 TESTING CENTER. Forks Community Hospital is a Public Hospital with Rural Health Clinics.
- COVID-19 testing must be ordered by a provider.
 - Forks Community Hospital follows Department of Health guidelines for testing and does not recommend ordering testing until 5 to 7 days after a true exposure* to COVID-19 or 24 hours after the onset of non-life threatening symptoms to allow time for the viral load to develop (allowing enough time for the virus to be detected). This will increase the accuracy of the COVID-19 test and lower the probability of a false negative. *A true exposure is defined as being less than 6 feet from a person that has been confirmed to

have tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 14 days, for longer than 15 minutes, without wearing a facial covering.

- Patients who develop COVID-19 symptoms or patients experiencing shortness of breath will be tested as the provider deems necessary.
- **Forks Community Hospital recommends that at least 5 days (120 hours) have passed since recovery and 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared prior to returning to work. * Recovery is defined as resolution of fever without the use of fever reducing medications and improvement in respiratory symptoms (cough, shortness of breath).**
 - **It is not necessary to be tested after a positive COVID-19 test; you can remain positive for many weeks but will no longer be contagious.**
- What type of COVID-19 test is used at Forks Community Hospital?
 - **Forks Community Hospital Laboratory performs COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2) testing using the “gold standard” method: Polymerase chain reaction (PCR) that detects viral DNA in specimens collected from the nasopharyngeal cavity.**
- What is the turnaround time and accuracy of the test used?
 - **The procedure takes 45 minutes and is performed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.**
 - **The test detects 98% of COVID-19 Positives and 100% of COVID-19 Negatives.**
- I am traveling to a state that requires a negative COVID-19 test prior to boarding the plane; can I get my test at Forks Community Hospital?
 - **Forks Community Hospital follows Department of Health guidelines and all testing must be ordered by a provider based on patient symptoms.**
 - **COVID-19 Testing Centers provide tests to non-symptomatic patients.**
 - **Call Department of Health at (360)417-2274 for all information regarding COVID-19, COVID-19 testing options, and testing center locations.**

Assistance

- Department of Health has resources for uninsured patients that need an influenza vaccination - <https://www.doh.wa.gov/YouandYourFamily/IllnessandDisease/Flu/NoCostVaccines>
- Here is a link to the 211 website for non-emergency assistance, as outlined in a separate information release: www.win211.org. If you would like to speak with a live person, call (833)492-0834.
- The Clallam County Hotline number is (360)417-2430.
- A toll free line has been established for those also in need. Whether child care, food or prescription delivery, mental health or any other need, people can call 1(833)492-0834 for referral to assistance.
- Forks Food Bank is located at 181 Bogachiel Way in Forks. The Food Bank is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. P.O. Box 763 Forks, WA 98331
- Forks Food Bank has become the Northwest Harvest and Food Lifeline box distribution hub. Boxes arrive shortly before the food bank opens. For more information call (360)640-8211.
- The County Emergency Operations Center is operational Monday through Friday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.
- Forks Abuse, located at 81 S 2nd Ave, Forks, WA has a food pantry outside and is accepting donations daily.
- The Caring Place has diapers available for families in need. Call (360)374-5010

Behavioral Health

- In response to COVID-19, Washington has launched Washington Listens, a support program and phone line to help people manage elevated levels of stress due to the pandemic. People who call the Washington Listens support line will speak with a support specialist and get connected to community resources in their area. The

program is anonymous. The Washington Listens support line is 1(833)681-0211. It is available from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. TTY and language access services are available by using 7-1-1 or their preferred method.

- ImHurting Crisis Chat is a service offered through Volunteers of America Western Washington. Their toll-free 24-hour crisis hotline number is 1(888)910.0416. The 24-hour crisis online chat is at www.imhurting.org.
- The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline number is 1(800)273-8255 and is available 24 hours a day
- West End Outreach Services continues to be open regular business hours. Our providers are offering all behavioral health services over the telephone so the community can continue to “Stay Home and Stay Safe.”
 - West End Outreach Services are available by phone at (360)374-5011
 - Monday and Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm
 - Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm