



# FORKS COMMUNITY HOSPITAL STATUS REPORT FOR FORKS & WEST END



# INFO CORONAVIRUS

**Wednesday, August 5, 2020**

## COVID 19 TESTS DONE AT FORKS COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

# TESTED	953
# POSITIVE TESTS	19
# NEGATIVE TESTS	934
# TESTS PENDING	0
# TOTAL HOSPITALIZATIONS	0
# TOTAL COVID-19 DEATHS	0

## COVID 19 VIRUS, CLALLAM COUNTY WIDE

# TESTED	9,219
# POSITIVE TESTS	110
# NEGATIVE TESTS	8,935
# TESTS PENDING	174
# TOTAL CURRENT HOSPITALIZATIONS	1
# TOTAL COVID-19 DEATHS	0
# RECOVERED ***Updated Weekly***	78

CLALLAM BAY CORRECTION CENTER INMATE NUMBERS	0 Positive COVID- 19 tests 0 Test pending
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*Information Source: Clallam County Emergency Management (CCEM), DOC, and the Forks Community Hospital*

### News and Information

- If you have concerns in regards to COVID-19, symptoms, social distancing, or quarantining please contact Department of Health at 360.417.2274.
- With the number of positive cases going up in Forks we need to be even more vigilant with social distancing, masking, and hand washing. You are responsible for keeping yourself and your family as safe as possible. Minimize your contact with others and continue to take precautions when you must go out for essentials.
- Please plan extra time to travel through the Central Check-In Station prior to entering any of the Forks Community Hospital buildings including Forks Family Medical Clinic, Bogachiel Medical Clinic, West End Outreach Services, and Patient Financial Services. To limit personal contact, Patient Financial Services would prefer to assist customers over the phone when possible. Please call 360.374.4391 for assistance. If you leave a message someone will return your call as soon as they are able. You also have the option to pay your bill online by visiting <https://www.forkshospital.org/pay-online/>

### General Health Question of the Day

- Does wearing a medical/surgical mask or cloth face covering cause unsafe oxygen levels or harmful carbon dioxide levels to the wearer?
    - “No. Medical masks, including surgical masks, are routinely worn by healthcare workers throughout the day as part of their personal protective equipment (PPE) ensembles and do not compromise their oxygen levels or cause carbon dioxide buildup. They are designed to be breathed through and can protect against respiratory droplets, which are typically much larger than tiny carbon dioxide particles. Consequently, most carbon dioxide particles will either go through the mask or escape along the mask's loose-fitting perimeter. Some carbon dioxide might collect between the mask and the wearer's face, but not at unsafe levels. Like medical masks, cloth face coverings are loose-fitting with no seal and are designed to be breathed through. In addition, workers may easily remove their medical masks or cloth face coverings periodically (and when not in close proximity with others) to eliminate any negligible build-up of carbon dioxide that might occur. Cloth face coverings and medical masks can help prevent the spread of potentially infectious respiratory droplets from the wearer to their co-workers, including when the wearer has COVID-19 and does not know it. “
- United States Department of Labor – <https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/covid-19-faq.html#collapse49>

- If you have general health information questions, please send them to [information@forkshospital.org](mailto:information@forkshospital.org). *No private medical information, please.*

#### Thank You

- Thank you, Linda Offut and CDK sewing group for continuing to keep our staff and patients covered with masks.
- Thank you, Robyn Wright. Your generosity of time and masks is a blessing.
- Thank you, Katie Haag for the donation of hard to find elastic.
- Thank you, Mary Anne Early for the donation of elastic, material, and bias tape.

#### Assistance

- Pandemic EBT is a new emergency program for ALL children in grades K-12 in Washington who receive free or reduced price school meals. P-EBT is not subject to public charge and will not affect your immigration status. P-EBT provides families with funds to pay the cost of meals while schools are closed due to COVID-19. No interview is required. Apply by following this link <https://www.washingtonconnection.org/eapplication/home.go?action=Introduction&source=> or calling the Customer Service Center at 877-501-2233 from 8:00 am through 5:00 pm Monday through Friday.
- Here is a link to the 211 website for non-emergency assistance, as outlined in a separate information release: [www.win211.org](http://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](http://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