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Big Horn County Reports Two (2) Newly-confirmed Cases of COVID-19
County has 31 active cases, including three (3) hospitalizations

HARDIN, MONTANA (June 23, 2020) – Big Horn County added two (2) confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 on Tuesday afternoon. One (1) patient was found through contact tracing and one came in for testing because they were symptomatic. The new positive cases are as follows:

- Female in her 20’s
- Female in her 40’s

Total confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in Big Horn County:

| Age Ranges | Female | Male | Totals | Recovered | Active | Deaths |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Under age 10 | 4 | 6 | 10 | | | |
| Age 10 – 19 | 6 | 9 | 15 | | | |
| Age 20 – 29 | 8 | 2 | 10 | | | |
| Age 30 – 39 | 6 | 4 | 10 | | | |
| Age 40 – 49 | 2 | 2 | 4 | | | |
| Age 50 – 59 | 2 | 4 | 6 | | | |
| Age 60 – 69 | 3 | 7 | 10 | | | |
| Over age 70 | 1 | 2 | 3 | | | |
| Totals | 32 | 36 | 68 | 34 | 31 | 3 |

Recoveries in the County total 34. Three (3) are deceased. Of the active cases, 28 patients are quarantining and recovering at home, and three (3) are currently hospitalized.

Public health nurses want to remind all residents of Big Horn County of the best ways to prevent the transmission of this illness: stay home; wash your hands thoroughly and often; clean and sanitize frequently touched surfaces and items; wear a mask when in public; stay at least six (6) feet away from other people; and avoid travel out of the County if at all possible. And if you are feeling sick, do not go to work or leave your home; rather, contact your healthcare provider for guidance.

Tracking down contacts to a positive case (contact tracing) is one of the best tools public health can use to slow the spread of the virus. If you believe you were in the presence of a recently confirmed COVID-19 case for more than five (5) minutes, please call public health so that a nurse may interview you and determine what level of exposure you have:

- IHS Public Health Nursing: (406) 638-3478
- Big Horn County Public Health: (406) 665-8720

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Big Horn County is the sixth largest county in Montana, at approximately 5,023 square miles, and with a population exceeding 13,000. The local government was established January 13, 1913. Hardin is the County Seat. <https://www.bighorncountymt.gov/> For more information about the County's COVID-19 response, please visit our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/BHCMTResponds>.