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Big Horn County Announces Nine (9) Newly-confirmed Cases of COVID-19
194 active cases in the County

HARDIN, MONTANA (November 29, 2020) – Big Horn County added nine (9) new cases of COVID-19 on Saturday, November 28, 2020. One (1) patient was asymptomatic (without symptoms) and eight (8) presented with symptoms when tested. Six (6) likely contracted the virus through community spread and three (3) cases could be traced by public health to previously-known cases of coronavirus.

The new cases are:

Age Ranges	Female	Male	Totals
Under age 10	-	-	-
Age 10 – 19	1	1	2
Age 20 – 29	1	1	2
Age 30 – 39	-	1	1
Age 40 – 49	1	1	2
Age 50 – 59	-	-	-
Age 60 – 69	2	-	2
Over age 70	-	-	-
Totals	5	4	9

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

Age Ranges	Female	Male	Totals	Recovered	Active	Deaths
Under age 10	71	74	145			
Age 10 – 19	150	144	294			
Age 20 – 29	163	142	305			
Age 30 – 39	157	149	306			
Age 40 – 49	133	102	235			
Age 50 – 59	131	97	228			
Age 60 – 69	112	94	206			
Over age 70	86	61	147			
Totals	1,003	863	1,866	1,625	194	47

Recoveries in the County remain at 1,625. 47 persons are deceased. Of the 194 active cases, 173 patients are quarantining and recovering at home. The number of Big Horn County resident patients currently hospitalized in the region is 21.

Month	Number of Cases	Number of Deaths
April	3	-
May	27	-
June	44	3
July	249	5
August	357	8
September	294	7
October	456	17
November (11/28/2020 to date)	436	7
Total since Pandemic Began	1,866	47

With the rising trend in new COVID-19 cases, it is more important than ever to follow the three W's: Wash your hands; Watch your distance from other people; Wear a mask. The County asks all residents to please continue stay home more often and to avoid events or gatherings. Also, the Board of County Commissioners and Board of Public Health ask everyone to wear a mask and social distance when outside of their homes and in public. Masks are required when engaged in indoor activities, such as shopping. Masks are not necessary in the event that residents are outdoors and unlikely to come within six (6) feet of other people, such as while taking advantage of our beautiful county, to work, recreate, or exercise outside.

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>.