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Trego County COVID-19 PHASE OUT

These guidelines have been developed to mitigate actions and to safely prepare for reopening the local economy and recreational activities while maintaining staff and community health and welfare. Continued diligence in monitoring conditions during each phase is crucial. Necessary steps must be immediately implemented to limit and mitigate any resurgence by restarting a phase or returning to an earlier phase at any time a resurgence is identified and based on the recommendation of the Trego County Health Officer.

Information dissemination between the Trego County Health Officer, Trego County Health Department, Trego County Attorney, Trego County Sheriff's Office Trego County EMS and Trego County Emergency Management will be crucial for safely reopening the local economy and recreational activities.

Phase OUT—All businesses and gatherings are allowed and should follow public health guidelines. Travel is unrestricted (except for KDHE restrictions, listed in #14).

GOAL: No resurgence of the pandemic

1. Continue community wide social distancing to prevent resurgence
2. Masks are strongly encouraged in public areas
3. Stay home if you are sick or have a compromised immune system.
4. Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
5. Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
6. Cover coughs and sneezes.
7. Clean and disinfect surfaces daily.
8. Continued county wide activity surveillance to identify any resurgence
9. Public safety awareness campaign continues through various platforms
10. Health infrastructure preventative measures remain at a steady defensive state to safely continue to mitigate the potential resurgence of the outbreak
11. General supplies are readily available.
12. General public and healthcare testing is low or nonexistent.
13. Quarantine and/or isolation measures will continue to be enforced with confirmed cases
14. According to KDHE the following travel restrictions still apply. Kansans who have traveled to the following locations need to quarantine for 14 days: Connecticut, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Jersey, New York. Been on a cruise ship or river cruise. Traveled internationally. The travel list is reviewed on a regular basis and is current as of June 3, 2020
15. Monitor personnel for indicative symptoms
16. Symptomatic personnel will need to be cleared by a medical provider before returning to work

If you develop respiratory symptoms (i.e. cough, fever, shortness of breath) or are a potential direct contact of someone with a laboratory confirmed case of COVID-19, please contact your health care provider prior to arriving at the facility. Please do not arrive at the clinic or the hospital prior to calling ahead. These actions will reduce the chance of exposure to our health care providers, and allow for the most efficient usage of our currently limited health care resources.

Contact the Trego County Health Department to report a potential exposure with a positive COVID-19 patient. We will be able to provide guidance and education based on the information provided. To contact the Trego County Health Department, please call 785-743-6348.

Now more than ever it is important to implement social distancing, limit your risk of exposure, and do your part in preventing the spread of COVID-19. All health care providers in our community are working together to safely and efficiently address your health care needs. Thank you for your participation in keeping yourselves, your families and our community safe and healthy.

Please visit the following links for more information: www.kdheks.gov/coronavirus www.cdc.gov/coronavirus www.cdc.gov/covid19

Important Phone Numbers:

KDHE Hotline 1.866.534.3463 Trego County Public Health Department 785.743.6348 Trego Lemke Memorial Hospital, 785-743-2182
WaKeeney Family Care Center, 785-743-2124