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Press Release

Novel Coronavirus Update

On 10/11/2020, the Teton County Health Department received notice from Montana Department of Public Health & Human Services (DPHHS) that two Teton County residents have tested positive for novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), bringing the total number of confirmed cases to 56. There are currently 18 active cases in Teton County, two of which are hospitalized.

The sources of transmission for both new cases from today, along with the one reported yesterday, are currently unknown. The individuals are unaware of where they may have contracted the virus. This may be an indication of community transmission in Teton County. Community transmission, or community spread, is when public health professionals cannot specify an origin for an infection, such as tracing it to specific travel or contact with a specific individual. The Teton County Health Department will continue to monitor closely for evidence of community transmission. Social distancing, wearing face coverings in public locations, and staying home while ill (even if symptoms are mild) are strategies that the public can use to prevent infecting others.