

PRESS RELEASE

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The Lawrence County Health Department is pleased to announce that all 7 cases of Covid-19 in the county are considered recovered (recovery is measured by 2 negative tests at least 24 hours apart after 14 days of isolation and no symptoms). We would also like to note that further testing of staff and residents at the facility produced no additional positive cases.

Although all 7 cases have recovered, it is important to note that the number of cases for our county will still remain at 7. Recovered cases are not subtracted from the original number. This is so we can keep track of overall numbers.

More studies are coming to light showing that person to person transmission through droplets (talking, sneezing, coughing, etc.) is the biggest factor in spread compared to surface transmission. So, we would like to take this opportunity to stress the importance of staying vigilant with prevention efforts such as hand washing, social distancing and the avoidance of large gatherings. Coronavirus has proven over and over to be a disease that knows no boundaries and can cause serious illness in even the healthiest of individuals.