

JEFFERSON COUNTY, NY DAILY COVID-19 STATUS REPORT

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Jefferson County is participating with the State of New York to manage the outbreak of COVID-19, a.k.a the coronavirus. The strategy for management of the virus is threefold – density reduction, identify and isolate, and lastly, surge capacity for medical services. The actions administered will fit into one of these categories and we encourage the public to follow the guidelines issued by either the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC), New York State and/or the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), or the Jefferson County Public Health Service (JCPHS), as well as educate yourself on the current situation and seek the appropriate medical attention from a provider immediately if necessary.

Current statistics for testing and test results received by the Jefferson County Public Health Service, as well as quarantine and isolation status to date:

Total Tested*: 683

Positive Tests: 34

Negative Tests: 649

Precautionary Quarantine: 111**

Mandatory Quarantine^: 72

Mandatory Isolation^^: 26

RECOVERED: 6

Pending Isolation Assignment: 2

*Total Tested definition: Specimens submitted to reference laboratories from Jefferson County providers, Samaritan Medical Center, Carthage Area Hospital, and River Hospital. Does not include resident specimens submitted by out-of-county providers.

**Precautionary Quarantine definition: Person meets one or more of the following criteria: (i) has traveled to China, Iran, Japan, South Korea, or Italy while COVID-19 was prevalent, but is not displaying symptoms; or (ii) is known to have had a proximate exposure to a positive person but has not had direct contact with a positive person and is not displaying symptoms; or (iii) is tested and awaiting test result confirmation, and is not a candidate for mandatory quarantine.

^Mandatory Quarantine definition: Person has been in close contact (6 feet) with someone who is positive, but is not displaying symptoms for COVID-19; or person has traveled to China, Iran, Japan, South Korea, or Italy and is displaying symptoms of COVID-19.

^^Mandatory Isolation definition: Person has tested positive for COVID-19, whether or not displaying symptoms for COVID-19.