



# Mason County COVID-19 Response

## Daily Information Release

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"Stay Home, Limit Travel, Save Lives"

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### **COVID-19 KNOWN AS NOVEL CORONAVIRUS:**

Mason County has two (2) confirmed cases of COVID-19 as of March 23, 2020.

**Thank you to all who are staying home. You are helping save lives and slow the spread.**

### **HOW IS MASON COUNTY RESPONDING?**

- Mason County meeting for planning, coordination, and information release will continue throughout the weekend. While we will not release a "Daily Information Update" this coming weekend, we will maintain awareness of any changes and share urgent updates.
- We are putting together information videos to help explain how Mason County is working together and managing the overall incident.

### **WHAT DO CITIZENS NEED TO KNOW?**

- We are asking for help spreading the message: **Stay Home, Limit Travel, Save Lives.**
- While you and your family are home, try to think of ideas to stay busy while staying home:
  - Many video streaming resources have increased their video libraries.
  - Websites and many "Apps" are offering their items for no fee during this time. These are learning sites for kid, book/reading sites, virtual tours of zoos throughout the US.
  - Many Facebook sites are sharing ideas and activities for families to do at home to keep kids busy.

### **HOW CAN I HELP?**

- Practice Self-Care and make sure you are taking care of yourself first. If you get frustrated, worn down, or sick, you will not be able to take care of anyone else.
- Make sure to reach out via electronically or via phone to check on friends, family and neighbors. We all need support and encouragement right now.

### **AGENCIES:**

Mason County Public Health:

- Mason County Public Health is continuing to stay monitor the current and everchanging situation regarding COVID-19. Follow Mason County All Hazard News on Facebook or check the Mason County Website, "COVID-19".

#### Hospital and Medical Facilities:

- *Mason Health Hours Changes*
  - Visiting Hours have been changed to Mon-Fri: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sat: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sun: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
  - The Lab at the Hospital will be open Mon-Fri: 6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sat/Sun: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
  - \*\*\*New Update - Mason Clinic hours: Mon–Fri: 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. - No Saturday Hours.\*\*\*
  - MGH Olympic Physicians hours: Mon–Fri: 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
  - Mason Clinic Lab hours: Mon-Fri: 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
  - Mason Clinic Walk-In hours: Mon-Fri: 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sat/Sun: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
  - Diagnostic Imaging outpatient hours: Mon–Fri: 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Sat/Sun: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- We are currently accepting the following donations:
  - Medical Grade Gloves and Masks
  - Skullcaps
  - Other PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) such as face shields
- For more information visit our website at [www.masongeneral.com](http://www.masongeneral.com) or on social media – Facebook, Instagram and Twitter

#### Drug Take Back Locations:

- “Drug Take Back Box” at North Mason Regional Fire Authority’s main fire station, Station 21 in Belfair is currently covered and not available for use (full). Expired or extra medication needs to be taken instead to Peninsula Community Health Services at 31 NE Highway 300 Belfair. The PCHS Pharmacy (no box outside) will take back medications – this is located downstairs. Unless there is some concern or urgency, we recommend you store your expired and extra medications in a safe location and wait for a later date to turn them in.

#### **WHERE DO I FIND INFORMATION?**

For more information visit:

- Mason County’s website <http://www.co.mason.wa.us/COVID-19/index.php>
- WA State Department of Health’s website [www.doh.wa.gov](http://www.doh.wa.gov)
- CDC’s website [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)
- Mason County Public Health Information line 360-427-9670 ext. 599
- The Mason County Links page has been updated with more helpful links.
- State Coronavirus Website: <https://coronavirus.wa.gov/>