



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 thirty (30) total confirmed cases of COVID-19, five (5) cases are active, with one (1) COVID-19 related death from Mason County at the time of this release.

UNEMPLOYMENT:

Due to unemployment fraud, payments are being delayed by two (2) days to give staff time to verify the recipients are current, qualified recipients rather than a fraudulent claim.

"BUSINESSES OPENING IN MASON COUNTY"

During Phase I:

- The Ridge Motorsport Park is being allowed to open to participants only, no spectators. With the partial opening, they plan to work with the Economic Development Council of Mason County to help support our local economy.
- Squaxin Island will also be opening the Little Creek Casino. They have made some major changes and have specific rules and guidance in place. Please check their website or call ahead for rules or if you have specific questions.

During Phase II:

- Several restaurants and retail sales stores are preparing their businesses to open using the new guidelines set forth by the Governor's Office. Many restaurants continue to offer pickup and delivery during the phase I.

DIRECTIVE OF THE GOVERNOR, 20-05:

Subject: Guidance clarifying Phase 1 outdoor recreation requirements and set forth outdoor recreation guidance for Phase 2.

- These guidelines build on the original [outdoor recreation requirements](#) released on April 27. For counties granted variance to move to Phase 2, additional recreational activities may resume effective May 14.
- For more information visit: <https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/news-media>

NORTH MASON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:

CHI- Harrison Belfair Clinic:

- Announcing new **temporary** hours
 - Mon-Fri 7:30 am to 5 pm Sat-Sun 7:30 am to 3 pm
- Phone numbers:

- If you have any questions, please call:
 - [Primary Care Clinic- 360-277-2950](tel:360-277-2950)
 - [Urgent Care Clinic- 360-277-2975](tel:360-277-2975)
- For additional information please visit the website----
www.chifranciscan.org/patients-and-visitors/covid-19.html

With the continuing spread of COVID-19 in our community, we are working closely with state and local health authorities to care for affected individuals while also taking steps to limit person-to-person spread within the community we serve.

MASON HEALTH:

- 112 HOSPITALS SPEAK WITH ONE VOICE! MASON HEALTH AND WASHINGTON STATE HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION URGE PATIENTS TO CONTINUE SEEKING CARE: Mason Health has teamed up with more than 100 hospitals across the state to support the launch of Washington State Hospital Association’s (WSHA) campaign urging members of our communities not to put their health care on pause during the COVID-19 pandemic. To learn more about the collaborative campaign to encourage our patients and community members seek medical care, visit our website or any of Mason Health’s social media platforms. Links: <https://www.wsha.org/for-patients/getcare/> and <https://www.masongeneral.com/about/covid-19> and <https://www.masongeneral.com/about/press-releases/2020/112-hospitals-speak-with-one-voice-mason-health-and-washington-state-hospital-association-urge-patients-to-continue-seeking-care>
- At Mason Health, your caregiver is available to see you for non-urgent acute and chronic conditions. Visits are available in person, over the phone and through audio/visual technology. Please call your provider or Mason Clinic at 360-426-2653. Mason Health has put significant safety measures in place to protect patients and keep you safe and healthy while visiting us for your health needs. Learn more at www.masongeneral.com.
- If you believe you have symptoms of COVID-19, call our Respiratory Illness Triage Line at 360-427-3615, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. After hours, call 911 for an emergency or your provider’s office. Symptoms include cough, shortness of breath, fever, headaches, sore throat, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain and loss of taste or smell.

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
- CDC’s website www.cdc.gov
- Mason County Public Health Information line 360-427-9670 ext. 599
- State Coronavirus Website: <https://coronavirus.wa.gov/>
- Governor Inslee’s Proclamations: <https://www.governor.wa.gov/office-governor/official-actions/proclamations>