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RACINE COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE April 21, 2020

Confirmed coronavirus cases

United States: 814,587 Wisconsin: 4,620

Central Racine County Health Department: 96 confirmed (plus 37 probable); 6 deaths

City of Racine Health Department: 97 confirmed (plus 34 probable); 4 deaths

Racine County total: 193 confirmed (plus 71 probable); 10 deaths

Note: Probable cases are symptomatic individuals who have not been tested but are presumed positive because they had direct contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19, or whose COVID-19 test results were inconclusive.

Central Racine County Health Department

New COVID-19 guidance from the Department of Health Services has been developed for home care providers. This guidance applies to home care providers and staff, including home health agencies, in-home hospice providers, personal care agencies, and supportive home care agencies. Its purpose is to provide the best information currently available to help home care providers prevent the spread of COVID-19 to the clients and/or patients they serve and to the staff who deliver their care. This guidance can be found on the COVID-19: Long-Term Care Facilities and Services webpage under the "Home Care Providers" tab.

City of Racine Health Department

Cleaning is a top priority for everyone during these times. The City of Racine Public Health Department would like to remind residents that, while a clean home and environment are best, chemicals you use in your home can be dangerous to your health and the environment. To keep your family safe, follow these safety tips when you use, store or throw out household cleaning chemicals:

- Follow the instructions on the label when you use and store household chemicals.
- Never mix products that are not intended for mixing. This can cause deadly gases or fires.
- Store products in their original containers.
- Store anything that can catch fire away from your home. Never store materials that can cause a fire in the sun or near an open flame or heat source.
- Store these materials out of the reach of children and pets.
- Use safety locks and guardrails on shelves and cabinets when you store materials. This
 will prevent them from falling or tipping.
- Wear gloves or goggles when you use these materials.

Resources

For Racine County updates on the COVID-19 outbreak, please visit www.racinecounty.com/coronavirus. The City of Racine coronavirus webpage can be found at www.racinecoronavirus.org. The Central Racine County Health Department's COVID-19 page is www.crchd.com/covid-19.

For national information on COVID-19, please go to the Centers for Disease Control's website: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus.

You can also find current information on the Wisconsin Department of Health Services website, which has guidance that is updated regularly for travel, self-quarantine, and school districts, among other important information: https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/disease/covid-19.htm.

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