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Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

As of March 11, 2020, Todd County has no known cases of the coronavirus (COVID-19). Todd County Health and Human Services is collaborating with federal, state and local partners to actively monitor the coronavirus disease. Todd County has set up a website with information for the public at: <https://www.co.todd.mn.us/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19/>. As this is a rapidly changing situation please continue to check back to this website for updates.

COVID-19 is a new disease and we are still learning about it and to what extent it may spread in the United States. The virus is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person through droplets when an infected person coughs or sneezes. These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby. It may also be possible that a person can get COVID-19 by touching a surface or object that has the virus on it and then touching their own mouth, nose or eyes. Symptoms of the coronavirus may include fever, cough and difficulty breathing. ***If you feel sick, stay home and call your healthcare provider before going to see them.*** Contact 911 if you have a health emergency.

To protect yourself, family and others from getting and spreading respiratory illnesses, like the coronavirus, practice everyday preventative behaviors including:

- Frequently wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds.
- Stay home when sick.
- Cover coughs and sneezes.
- Clean frequently touched surfaces and objects.

The Centers for Disease Control & Prevention provides information on how to prepare and take action on COVID-19: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/index.html>

The Minnesota Department of Health has set up a hotline to answer your questions about COVID-19 at 651-201-3920.