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RACINE COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE December 29, 2020

Confirmed coronavirus cases

United States: 19,448,626 confirmed, 336,947 deaths

Wisconsin: 474,537 confirmed, 2,340,164 negative, 4,783 deaths

Central Racine County Health Department: 9,044 confirmed (+527 from last week), 1,261

probable (+145), 58,065 negative (+1,173), 158 deaths (+5)

City of Racine Health Department: 7,011 confirmed (+223 from last week), 806 probable (+27),

41,716 negative (+610), 87 deaths (+6)

Racine County total: 16,055 confirmed (+750 from last week), 2,067 probable (+172), 99,781

negative (+1,783), 245 deaths (+11)

Updates for the week of December 28:

- Essential workers and first responders in Racine County have been working around the clock to protect us during this public health emergency. Now, it's up to us to protect them and stop the domino effect of COVID-19. Racine County has released a new PSA highlighting those working on the front lines -- watch it here.
- The Wisconsin National Guard is planning to begin operation of a COVID-19 drivethrough testing site at the Racine County Fairgrounds, 19805 Durand Ave., Union Grove, on Wednesdays starting Jan. 6 through March 10, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Anyone being tested is strongly encouraged to pre-register by visiting https://register.covidconnect.wi.gov. Vehicles should enter the fairgrounds from Main Street.
- The WI Exposure Notification App is a new smartphone app that uses <u>Bluetooth Low Energy technology</u> to help stop the spread of COVID-19 in Wisconsin. Once you activate the app, your phone exchanges anonymous signals with other phones that are near it for at least 15 minutes. If somebody who has the app tests positive for COVID-19, they can then send an alert using the app to those other phones. <u>More information here</u>.
- The Wisconsin Department of Health Services and Gov. Tony Evers announced an athome collection service that allows people to collect their own saliva samples for testing in their home. More information can be found here.

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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