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REGARDING: COVID-19 VIRUS

Fourth Positive COVID-19 Test Reported in Stevens County

Northeast Tri County Health District (NETCHD) was notified today, March 30, 2020, of the fourth positive coronavirus disease (COVID- 19) test for Stevens County.

The individual who tested positive is not hospitalized and is isolating themselves at home. To protect the privacy of those testing positive, information that may lead to a person's identity being revealed will not be disclosed. NETCHD is notifying potential close contacts and these individuals will be given additional guidance and advised of precautions they should take.

As more COVID-19 cases increase in our area, we are relying on the public to take action. This includes staying home and separating yourself from others, especially if you have been tested for COVID-19 and are awaiting test results, or if you were identified as a close contact of a confirmed positive COVID-19 case.

With COVID-19 being contagious while showing mild or no symptoms at all, it is crucial we follow the recommended self-quarantine guidelines provided on our website at www.netchd.org . As difficult as this may be, it is the only way we can prevent unknowingly infecting others. We are asking that the public respect the health and safety of themselves and others.

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- Pend Oreille County** - 605 Highway 20, Newport, WA 99156
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Resources are available on the Washington State Department of Health website: www.doh.wa.gov and Northeast Tri County Health District's website www.netchd.org that cover:

- What to do if you have confirmed or suspected COVID-19
- What to do if you were potentially exposed to someone with confirmed COVID-19
- What to do if you have symptoms of COVID-19 and have not been around anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19

Within Washington State, there have been a total of 5380 cases of COVID-19 and 202 deaths. As of right now, in the three-county area of northeastern Washington the number of individuals tested are:

- Ferry County: 1 positive case, 62 negative test results, 0 deaths
- Pend Oreille County: 0 positive cases, 102 negative test results, 0 deaths
- Stevens County: 4 positive cases, 216 negatives, 0 deaths

These numbers will be updated daily on NETCHD's website (www.netchd.org) and Facebook page.

The Washington State Department of Health has established a call center to address questions from the public. If you have questions about what is happening in Washington State, how the virus is spread, and what to do if you have symptoms, please call 1-800-525-0127 and press #.

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