

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Positive Case of COVID-19 in Southwest Nebraska**

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Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department (SWNPHD) has been notified of an additional person from SWNPHD's health district that has tested positive for COVID-19.

This positive case is a female in their fifties in Furnas County, and it is related to travel outside the health district. They are currently self-isolating at home. All identified close contacts will be self-quarantined. This case brings the total to fourteen positive COVID-19 cases in SWNPHD.

Travel within the state of Nebraska is not recommended to areas with ongoing community spread of COVID-19. The map of Nebraska COVID-19 cases can be found on the [dhhs.ne.gov](http://dhhs.ne.gov) website. Recommendations for travelers going out of state are to self-quarantine for 14 days upon returning to Nebraska, with exceptions for essential workers and commuters crossing state lines. All travelers should limit public interactions, practice social distancing and self-monitor for symptoms.

For general information on COVID-19 call the DHHS hotline at 402-552-6645, or visit the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services website at <http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Coronavirus.aspx>.

For more information on COVID-19 in southwest Nebraska, visit [www.swhealth.ne.gov](http://www.swhealth.ne.gov). You can also follow SWNPHD on Facebook and Twitter. SWNPHD serves Chase, Dundy, Frontier, Furnas, Hayes, Hitchcock, Keith, Perkins, and Red Willow counties. SWNPHD is located at 404 West 10th St (1 block north of Arby's) in McCook.

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