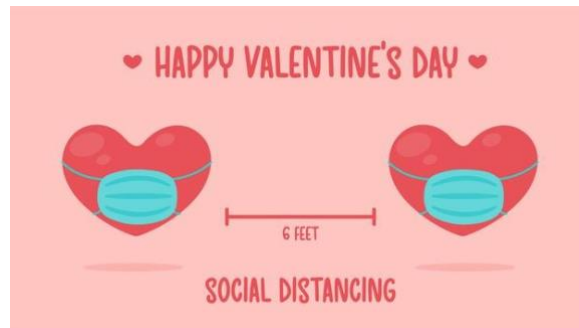# COVID-19 Resources and Health Order Updates – February 12, 2021

1) We are in the **Orange (Moderate) Risk** level.
   - Read our recommendations on what to do when we are in the Orange Risk Level.
     o These include avoiding large gatherings, avoiding crowded spaces, and more. Please continue to wear masks, maintain at least six feet of distance, stay home when sick and wash your hands frequently.
   - Learn how we determine this risk level, view our metrics page.

2) **Updated Statistics:**
   - Between January 29, 2021 and February 11, 2021 Teton County detected 182 new cases. This is a 61% decrease from the previous two weeks, during which time 472 cases were detected. The percent of recent COVID-19 tests that were positive has also decreased to approximately 3.7% from 6.9% two weeks ago.
   - 42% of cases during this time period have been due to community spread.
   - As of 2/11/2021, there were 124 known active cases in Teton County. Statistics overview can be found here.
   - While these trends are encouraging, new cases of COVID-19 in Teton County remain high. Teton County Health Department Epidemiologist, Shane Yu, MPH, reported, "We're continuing to move in the right direction and that's very encouraging. That said, our case numbers are still higher than they were during our peak last summer. Right now, we are able to move into the moderate risk level because the hospitalizations are low and the County's contact tracing and testing capacities have improved over time. This all means we are better able to handle current case numbers which are still quite high despite the recent decrease. Everyone should continue to be very careful and follow all the standard precautions."

3) **Health Orders and Recommendations:**
   - **In effect January 26, 2021 through February 14, 2021:**
     1. The 20th Continuation of Order #1: Conditions of operation for establishments including bars, restaurants, theaters, gymnasiums, child care facilities, K-12 schools, colleges, universities, and trade schools.*
     2. The 20th Continuation of Order #2: Gathering size limitations.
        a. More Restrictive Variance* for Statewide Health Order #2:
           i. Gatherings of more than ten (10) people are prohibited, with certain exemptions. However:
              1. Indoor events may allow gatherings of more than 10 people but no more than 25% of venue capacity with a maximum of 100 people, provided all the COVID-safety conditions are met.
              2. Outdoor events may allow gatherings of more than 10 people but no more than 50% of venue capacity with a maximum of 250 people, provided all the COVID-safety conditions are met.
     3. The 20th Continuation of Order #3: Conditions of operation for personal services establishments including nail salons, hair salons, barber shops, massage therapy services, tattoo, body art and piercing shops, and cosmetology, electrology, and esthetic services.
     4. The 2nd Continuation of Order #4: Requires face coverings in certain places, with exceptions, throughout the State of Wyoming.

   ***Please note:** New Statewide Health Orders will be in effect starting Monday, February 15th. Please check our website on Monday for details.*

- Federal Mask Mandate for federal buildings and federal lands. Learn more here.

- Masks Mandate on Public Transportation

4) TCHD recommends 14-day quarantine periods from last day of close contacts, especially for household contacts.
   - Restrictions apply for shortened quarantine options.
     - Any symptoms, even mild, **will not** be allowed to follow a shortened quarantine.
     - Regular symptom checking of all employees is advised (with or without a known exposure) and is essential for those returning to work under shortened quarantine for the remaining 14-days.
     - For earliest return at day 8, a negative test result (with sample collected at the appropriate time - on or after day 5) is necessary.
     - Tracking employees last date of exposure, test date and result is advised.
     - Under no circumstances can someone return earlier than day 8 from last exposure.
   - Learn more about quarantine strategies.

5) Due to the detection of the B.1.1.7 lineage variant and resulting potential for further increase in transmission, we must be even more mindful of basic preventative measures: wearing masks, spacing out, gathering only with our household groups, washing our hands, and staying home when sick.

6) Questions about the **COVID-19 Vaccine**? Check out our vaccine webpage or email your questions to covidvax@tetoncountywy.gov.

7) If your business has ordered vault tests for business surveillance, make sure to use them! Reach out if you need help to set up a surveillance program. Vault Tests are a great way to catch asymptomatic positives through surveillance testing. Learn more here.

8) The Teton County Health Department and St. John's health are partnering on the **Community Health Needs Assessment**, an every-three-year initiative designed to improve the health and quality of life for Teton County residents. Designed for Teton County residents, the five-minute survey is available online in English by clicking here and in Spanish by clicking here. **These surveys will be open from February 1 through March 15.** Community input is extremely important in identifying public health needs. If you could help spread the word about completing the survey, that would be a tremendous help!

9) Have you checked out Shred the Spread yet? Sign up for our newsletter to see the latest stats, resources, and more. Stay informed and help #ShredtheSpread of COVID-19.

10) To sign up for **weekly COVID-19 updates** through Nixle Text TC_COVID to 888777. Envíe TC_COVID 888777 y resonda ESP.

11) **Resources:**
   - Contact tracing steps for your business
   - Update to quarantine recommendations
   - What to do while waiting for test results?
   - Has someone been exposed to COVID-19?
   - Has someone tested positive to COVID-19?
   - Questions? Call (307) 732-8537 or email Ashley.cassat@wyo.gov
   - COVID-19 testing options for individuals and businesses