



McDonough District Hospital COVID-19 UPDATE

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NEWS UPDATE

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www.MDH.org/COVID19

Click on McDonough District Hospitals website for the latest information on COVID-19.

FACEBOOK

Facebook.com/McDonough.District.Hospital for the latest news, infographics, and videos shared by the Hospital.

VIDEO - YouTube

Search the McDonough District Hospital YouTube channel for past and present video clips.

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COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

McDonough District Hospital is proud to work with the McDonough County Health Department and McDonough County Emergency Services and Disaster Agency during this COVID-19 Pandemic.



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Lynnette Cale, MS, CHES - Administrator



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“The coronavirus is a cause for concern obviously. We need to remember that 80-85% of people will have a self-limited, flu-like illness and will recover completely without residual effect.”

288

Confirmed COVID-19 cases
in the state of Illinois
(Illinois Department of Public
Health: DPH.Illinois.gov)
as of March 18

0

Number of confirmed
COVID-19 cases in
McDonough County (per
McDonough County Health
Department) as of March 18

80-85%

Percent of people who will have
a self-limited, flu-like illness and
will recover completely without
residual effect.

COVID-19 & INFLUENZA PROCEDURES: McDonough District Hospital is working with the McDonough County Health Department and McDonough County Emergency Services and Disaster Agency during the COVID-19 crisis.

The safest course of action for a person feeling mild-to-moderate flu-like symptoms of fever, cough, and shortness of breath is to self-quarantine in their home and to call their healthcare provider to determine the next step in their care. MDH follows the County Health Department and Illinois Department of Public Health screening protocols for COVID-19.

COVID-19 test kits are NOT being handed out to the public. MDH does screen for Influenza.

If a patient displays symptoms of COVID-19 a test may be performed if they meet testing criteria. If a person is experiencing symptoms of fever, cough, or shortness of breath they should call their primary care provider. If they do not have a primary care provider, call the MDH Family Clinic or MDH Convenience Clinic at (309) 837-6937.

Thank you for your cooperation.

CURRENT VISITOR POLICY: The current MDH visitor policy includes:

Access will be limited to the emergency room entrance for visitors to the hospital. Patients entering Health Services Building 1 and 2 must enter through that building's main entrance.

Patients may have one visitor per day. Exceptions may be made for those with extenuating circumstances (such as near end-of-life, critical care, or trauma).

Unless they are seeking emergency or ambulatory care, no one 16 years old and younger will be allowed to visit MDH.

MDH asks that all visitors who display symptoms of fever, respiratory illness, or cough stay at home.

HOSPITAL INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM IMPLEMENTED

HICS IMPLEMENTED: In response to the State of Illinois declaring a State of Emergency due to COVID-19, McDonough District Hospital proactively initiated its Hospital Incident Command System protocols on Thursday, March 12.

The hospital has continually been monitoring the COVID-19 progress and acting accordingly, implementing HICS was done to officially start the organization-wide planning process. The organization's Incident Commander is Wanda Foster, MDH Vice President/Chief Nursing Officer. MDH will continue to meet regularly with the McDonough County Health Department and the McDonough County Emergency Services and Disaster Agency (ESDA) to monitor the situation.