Press Release

For Immediate Release: Media in Cedar, Dixon, Thurston and Wayne Counties

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Fifth Case of Coronavirus Disease 2019 Reported in Nebraska

A fifth presumptive positive case of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) has been reported in the Northeast Nebraska area to Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). DHHS is awaiting final confirmation from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Northeast Nebraska Public Health Department and North Central District Health Department are working closely with DHHS and have initiated contact investigations to rapidly assess potential exposures and determine next steps. All identified close contacts will be asked to self-quarantine and be actively monitored daily by public health officials for symptoms that may include fever, cough and shortness of breath. Although the situation may cause concern, it is important to take the time to get the facts, learn what you can do and make a plan for your family to be prepared.

Northeast Nebraska Public Health Department serves Cedar, Dixon, Thurston and Wayne Counties. More information will be coming in the near future. To help stop the spread of COVID-19 and how to plan and prepare yourself and your family please visit the CDC website: https://www.cdc.gov/covid19.