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Three Rivers Public Health Department confirms an additional case of COVID-19

Three Rivers Public Health Department (3RPHD) has identified an additional case of COVID-19 in Saunders County. This case is a close contact of the case identified at the Saunders County Department of Corrections on April 1, 2020 this is the 3rd case within the organization. The Saunders County resident is a female in her 50s and is self-isolating at home. Contact investigations are currently being completed. All identified close contacts will self-quarantine and be actively monitored twice daily by public health officials for fever and respiratory symptoms.

3RPHD has worked with the Saunders County Sheriff's office and the Saunders County Department of Corrections and were able to test 12 employees yesterday April 2, 2020. Out of the 12 employees 10 are negative, 1 is positive and we are awaiting 1 result. "The employees at the Saunders County Department of Corrections are continuing to provide the best service possible and Sheriff Stukenholtz has provided exceptional leadership," said Terra Uhing, Executive Director of Three Rivers Public Health Department. When asked about their morale at the facility Sheriff Kevin Stukenholtz, said "The employees we have are making extraordinary efforts to serve their community with their outstanding work ethic". This is Saunders County's 4th case.

Public health partners across the state continue to take action to protect the health of Nebraskans. The Three Rivers Public Health Department will continue to update our community as new information becomes available. For more information about COVID-19 please visit www.threeriverspublichealth.org or <http://dhhs.ne.gov/coronavirus>.

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