August 25th, 2020

Hello,

Updated numbers for Skamania County are below. The meetings will be changed to once a month, on the first Tuesday of the month starting after the September 8th meeting.

Number of Tests Performed by Community Health: 403
- Number of total positive cases 59
- Number of resolved cases 58
- Number of deaths 1
- Number cumulative hospitalizations 5
- Number of total tests performed last week 6
- Number of tests pending 1
- Total tests performed since opening 490

Ratio of Positive Results to Tests Taken: 12%
Test kits available 2,080

There are no significant changes in cases and Clark County has seen a slight decline. Dr. Krager mentioned schools may slowly bring kids in towards the end of September, beginning with elementary students.

There were no new positive cases reported for the past week in Skamania County! With the Labor Day holiday coming up, they are hoping for a different result than the spikes occurring after the July 4th holiday. Rock Cove Assisted Living is getting their tests done directly through the state, freeing up resources for Community Health. They are ramping up for the flu season and immunizations. The current turn-around time for COVID test results is about 24-48 hours.

A shipment of sanitizing wipes and gloves came in, inventory is good. If you have any PPE needs or requests, please let me know and we’ll get them processed.

Skamania County, and the cities of North Bonneville and Stevenson are pooling together resources to partner with Klickitat County on a Community Development Block Grant for covid relief funds. The county will hold a public hearing on 9/1 in preparation of the grant application, due 9/3. The funds will be used for subsistence payments-one-time, short term (no more than three months) emergency payments to prevent homelessness for utility, rent and mortgage payments to prevent service cut-off and evictions. The funds will be split between the counties proportionately.

Agencies which received CARES funds through the county need to have their reimbursements in by the end of September to allow time for them to get the funds back from the state.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Thank You and Stay Safe,

Leana Kinley, EMPA, CMC
City Administrator