

Portage County Health District Response to COVID-19

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Contact Tracing



- Monitoring confirmed and probable cases
- Contact tracing for close contacts of confirmed cases
- Answering residents' health questions about COVID-19

COVID-19 Testing



- Providing pop-up testing throughout the county in partnership with community partners

Public Information



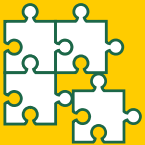
- Providing updates and safety information to residents, healthcare partners, schools, congregate care, etc.
- Answering residents' general COVID-19 questions

Education & Enforcement



- Providing continuous guidance to businesses on ODH orders
- Responding to concerns and complaints from residents

Emergency Preparedness



- Following pandemic emergency plans
- Working daily with local stakeholders in incident command system
- Work with public health partners to procure and distribute PPE

Financial Management



- Tracking department resources devoted to COVID-19 response
- Maintaining fiscal accountability on COVID-19 grant funds

COVID-19 Vaccinations



- Scheduling Phases 1A and 1B vaccination clinics according to ODH guidelines
- Providing vaccinations to Phases 1A and 1B groups through small clinics to large mass vaccination clinics

WIC Services



- Providing WIC services via phone and curbside
- Issuing food benefits on WIC Nutrition Card curbside

Portage County Health District continues to provide essential services as well as providing COVID-19 response. Essential services include:

- Environmental health inspections
- Investigation of environmental health nuisance complaints
- Investigation and reporting of other communicable diseases
- Treatment and follow-up for patients with tuberculosis
- Distribution of Project DAWN kits, car seats, and pack n' plays
- Child and Adult Immunizations
- Grant activities and management
- Daily fiscal and human resource management
- Issuance of permits and licenses
- Providing nutrition and breastfeeding education via phone and electronically