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**Hurley, WI-** Iron County Public Health is reporting a total of **67** positive COVID Iron County residents, **7** positive COVID non-residents and 1 death.

Not all test results from last week's testing in Hurley and Mercer sites are reported yet. Results may take from 3-7 days per the National Guard. Please be patient and follow the guidelines below to protect yourself and others. If your test result was negative, you will receive a call from the National Guard. It may be a 608 area code number so please answer your phone. They will attempt to call you 2 or 3 times but will not leave a message. If your test is positive, then you will receive a call from the Iron County Health Department staff.

## Thank You

The testing in Hurley and Mercer were a collaborative effort with our community partners. Thank you to the Hurley K-12 School and Department of Natural Resources-Mercer for providing the testing sites and for their staff for their cooperation in assuring a comfortable workplace. Thank you to the Hurley Police Department and Iron County Sheriff's Department for assuring a smooth traffic flow and safety. Thank you to Iron County Emergency Management for assisting Public Health to request the Wisconsin National Guard, assuring supplies, comfort and food.

## **Protect yourself and others**

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use hand sanitizer with 60% alcohol if you don't have soap and water.
- AVOID MASS GATHERINGS Stay at least 6 feet from others, even if you are feeling well.
- Do not touch your eyes, nose and mouth if you haven't washed your hand.
- Clean all "high-touch" surfaces every day. These surfaces include counters, tabletops, doorknobs, bathroom fixtures, toilets, phones, keyboards, tablets, and bedside tables.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze or use the inside of your elbow.
- Wear a cloth face covering when you are around others.

**IMPORTANT:** Regardless of whether your test is positive or negative, as long as COVID-19 is spreading in our community, you need to continue to protect yourself and others. **Wash your hands, social distance, stay home, avoid mass gatherings, and wear a mask.** 

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