Active COVID cases increase in Nemaha CO

(KMZA)--Nemaha County health officials are concerned about the increase in COVID-19 cases in the county.

County Health Officer Jane Sunderland said cases are increasing at a rate far higher than neighboring counties. As of Monday, Nemaha County had 71 active cases.

Nemaha County had a total of 19 cases in July, 8 cases in August, 88 cases in September and 64 cases so far this month. Sunderland said at the current incidence rate, they are projected to have 180 cases by the end of the month.

Sunderland said the number of contacts from positive individuals is especially high. In addition, she said they are seeing an increased number of county residents hospitalized due to complications from COVID-19.

Sunderland said they need to get the virus under control in the county. She is urging residents to social distance, wear a mask, especially when you can't social distance, wash your hands frequently and stay home if you feel sick.

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