

8th case of COVID-19 confirmed in KS

OTTAWA, Kan. (AP) — Kansas health officials have confirmed the state's eighth case of COVID-19.

The latest case comes from Franklin County in eastern Kansas. No details about the person have been released.

The news follows on the heels of the Johnson County Department of Health and Environment announcing Saturday morning the state's seventh case — a woman in her 50s associated with Johnson County Community College. The department says it's the county's first known case to have been contracted locally.

The release says the woman is hospitalized and “doing well.” Her family members have been quarantined, and those who may have been exposed by contact with the woman are being contacted by the health department.

Meanwhile, health officials say a nursing home resident who become Kansas' first COVID-19-related death was infected at the Life Care Center of Kansas City, which is owned by the same company that owns the facility in Washington state linked to 22 fatalities. Kansas Health Secretary Lee Norman said a focus of the investigation is whether there has been any personnel sharing between the nursing homes in Kirkland, Washington, and the one in Kansas.

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