



Saturday, April 18, 2020

## 4/18/2020 COVID-19 Updates

**No new cases of COVID-19 in Chautauqua County today**

Chautauqua County statistics:

- 27 confirmed cases;
- 3 active cases - continue to recover under orders of the Local Health Official per NYS Public Health Law;
- 21 recovered cases;
- 3 deaths;
- 62 cases under quarantine/isolation orders by the Public Health Director and being monitored. Not all of those being monitored are confirmed to have COVID-19 but have either shown symptoms, are awaiting results, or have risk factors; and
- 555 negative test results to date.

### **NYSDOH COVID-19 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

The NYSDOH has issued a "Frequently Asked Questions" document. It is available on [chqgov.com](https://chqgov.com/sites/default/files/inline-files/DOH_COVID19_FAQs_Updated_041720.pdf) [https://chqgov.com/sites/default/files/inline-files/DOH\\_COVID19\\_FAQs\\_Updated\\_041720.pdf](https://chqgov.com/sites/default/files/inline-files/DOH_COVID19_FAQs_Updated_041720.pdf) If you have questions about the COVID-19 situation in NYS, this is a good place to look.

Here are just a couple of examples of questions and answers you will find.

#### **I am very stressed about my job, my health, and my family. Who can I talk to?**

On March 26, 2020, Governor Cuomo announced that more than 8,000 mental health professionals signed up to provide free online mental health services. The helpline is staffed by trained volunteers, including mental health professionals, who have received training in crisis counseling related to mental health consequences of infectious disease outbreaks, typical stress reactions, anxiety management, coping skills, and telephonic counseling. The helpline will be accessible to New Yorkers who are deaf or hard of hearing, and to non-English speaking callers, through the Language Line. New Yorkers can call the state's hotline at 1-844-863-9314.

#### **Should I be concerned about pets or other animals and COVID-19?**

While this virus seems to have emerged from an animal source, it is now spreading from person-to-person. While CDC recommends that people traveling to affected countries avoid animals both live and dead, there is

little evidence that any animals or pets in the United States might be a source of infection for COVID-19 in humans. More information is available here at CDC COVID-19 and Animals Guidance.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/faq.html#COVID-19-and-Animals>

**Access daily updates on COVID-19 in Chautauqua County** in any of these ways:

- The COVID-19 page of the Chautauqua County website at [chqgov.com](http://chqgov.com);
- Chautauqua County Health Department Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/myhealthycounty/](https://www.facebook.com/myhealthycounty/);
- Chautauqua County Government Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/chautauquacountygovernment](https://www.facebook.com/chautauquacountygovernment);
- Direct email to the “Monday Morning Memo” distribution list. Individuals can sign-up to receive these alerts by going to [chqgov.com](http://chqgov.com) and under the County Executive’s page signing up under the Monday Morning Memo Newsletter tab.
- Listen to the daily update of COVID-19 cases in Chautauqua County by calling the Chautauqua County Public Health COVID-19 Hotline at 866-604-6789 and selecting option 6.

Link to Chautauqua County COVID-19 Map:

<https://chautauquacounty.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/012d07321ad6415c8cf17c4f673643c9>

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