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**Johnson County offers new dashboard on COVID-19  
in long-term care facilities**

JOHNSON COUNTY, KAN. (May 1, 2020) – The Johnson County Department of Health and Environment (JCDHE) released a new dashboard on the [jocogov.org/coronavirus](http://jocogov.org/coronavirus) site. The dashboard provides current information about COVID-19 cases and deaths in Johnson County long-term care facilities (LTCF), including the following:

- Number of COVID-19 cases
- Number and date of when deaths occurred at a LTCF
- Cumulative numbers of cases and hospitalizations
- Map of where the facilities are located

This information will be updated every day, seven days a week. The dashboard is available at [www.jocogov.org/coronavirus](http://www.jocogov.org/coronavirus).

JCHDE has a collaborative approach when working with long-term care facilities. Even before a COVID-19 case had been identified, the JCHDE worked to help provide PPE and expertise on the necessary processes that needed to be in place, such as an infection control protocol. The JCDHE also worked to identify any gaps and improvements needed.

Additionally, the JCHDE provides weekly webinars to educate facilities on best practice infection control measures, as well as administering surveys to help understand LTCF challenges. The JCHDE provides the LTCF staff with testing supplies, in order to test staff and residents.

“We must protect our most vulnerable population, many of whom reside in long-term care facilities, from the impact of COVID-19. Not only do they have underlying conditions, the nature of living in close proximity to others increases the risk of spreading the virus in these facilities,” said Dr. Sanmi Areola, director of JCDHE. “We will continue to work with our state and local partners to mitigate the risk to this population.”

Visit [www.jocogov.org/coronavirus](http://www.jocogov.org/coronavirus) and [www.coronavirus.kdheks.gov/](http://www.coronavirus.kdheks.gov/) for the latest information.

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