

## **May 3, 2020 Grant County Public Information**

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Hardy County now has seven (7) positive cases, with four (4) occurring this week. One of these COVID tests was conducted at GMH. Public Health and Hospital personnel have worked together to assure all possible contacts are notified and will be monitored.

Mineral County now has 18 cases, many recently. Because these cases are local, there is an increased risk for residents in the Potomac Valley including the Tri-County Area. GMH has decided to scale back on the reopening plan until further notice. Public Health Officials are recommending private health care providers continue to assure social distancing and offer telehealth when possible.

Governor Justice has lifted the Stay at Home Order effective 12 am on May 4, and is recommending a Safe at Home approach with some limited business openings. The public is highly recommended to stay home if at all possible, maintain a 6 ft distance and wear face coverings if in public. Working from home is encouraged for those that can. This is especially important for our area as even though the cumulative percentage of WV is below 3 %, the Potomac Highlands is seeing a marked increase. Please do your part to keep yourself, your family and your community safe.

**May 2, 2020-- GMH COVID tests conducted 104 Tests (including 7 for Day Care employees) 90 Negative 1 Positive (recovered) 1 new positive from Hardy County. 11 pending, and 1 Unable to Test (UTT).**

**3 tests conducted by other providers for Grant County residents have returned negative.**

**WV reported 51,115 tests 1,841 positive 50 deaths** Cumulative positive rate 2.32%

**Positive COVID19 cases reported to WVDHHR:** Barbour 5, **Berkeley 156**, Boone 6, Braxton 2, Brook 3, Cabell 44, Fayette 14, Gilmer 2, **Grant 1**, Greenbrier 5, **Hampshire 7**, Hancock 11, **Hardy 7**, Harrison 30, Jackson 130, **Jefferson 79**, Kanawha 168, Lewis 4, Lincoln 2, Logan 13, Marion 46, Marshall 15, Mason 12, McDowell 6, Mercer 10, **Mineral 18**, Mingo 2, Monongalia

105, Monroe 5, **Morgan 13**, Nicholas 6, Ohio 33, **Pendleton 3**, Pleasants 2, Pocahontas 2, Preston 13, Putnam 27, Raleigh 10, Randolph 4, Roane 7, Summers 1, Taylor 7, Tyler 3, Tucker 4, Upshur 4, Wayne 89, Wetzel 3, Wirt 3, Wood 41, Wyoming 1.

To get up to date information about COVID 19 go to [www.coronavirus.wv.gov](http://www.coronavirus.wv.gov) or [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov) if questions call the WV Public Health hotline at 800 887 4304.

Governor Justice announced a Safer at Home order will replace the Stay at Home order at 12 am on Monday May 4, 2020. See at [www.wvmetronews.com](http://www.wvmetronews.com).

Please remember to wear face masks if you must be within 6 ft of others. If you don't have one, go to [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov) to see how to make a mask.

**Week 2- MAY 4-** Small businesses may reopen with fewer than 10 workers, professional service like barber shops by appointment only, outdoor dining, church services and funeral services with guidelines for seating and social distancing practiced.

Guidelines for Small Businesses, Guidelines for Restaurants with Takeaway or Outdoor Dining, and Guidelines for Religious Entities and Funeral Homes can be found: ([guidelines@www.governor.wv.gov](mailto:guidelines@www.governor.wv.gov)).

**Week 3-6 - with notifications of plans one week in advance.**

Plans are to rollout other businesses including offices and government buildings, dine-in restaurants, parks and associated facilities, gyms, hotels, casinos, spas etc.