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Re: COVID-19 Death Confirmed in Scott County Resident

Scott County Health Department (SCHD) has been notified of the first COVID-19 death of a Scott County resident, an elderly adult (>81 years old).

"We extend our deepest sympathies to this individual's family" said Edward Rivers, SCHD health director. "Scott County Health Department and our partners throughout the county and state continue to work to limit the spread and impact of this virus in our communities, and remind everyone to continue to take the necessary steps to minimize your exposure to COVID-19."

Scott County is experiencing community spread of COVID-19. COVID-19 illness may range from symptoms of respiratory infection, such as runny nose and sore or scratchy throat to more severe symptoms that include fever, cough, and shortness of breath. If you experience symptoms, self-isolate at home. If your symptoms of COVID-19 become more than you can manage at home, call ahead to your healthcare provider before going to the office.

All residents are encouraged to:

- Stay home at much as possible.
- If you must go out for essentials, practice social distancing by staying away from groups of people and maintaining a 6-foot distance from other individuals.
- Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Self-isolate at home when ill.

For up-to-date information on COVID-19, visit:

- Scott County Health Department website: www.scottcountyiowa.com/health
- Iowa Department of Public Health website: www.idph.iowa.gov/Emerging-Health-lssues/Novel-Coronavirus
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html
- Together Quad Cities website: www.TogetherQC.com

