



# Kootenai County Office of Emergency Management



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### Afternoon Briefing Report

**Kootenai County, Idaho:** Following the afternoon briefing of the Kootenai County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Unified Command, today's report shows no new cases of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in the Panhandle Health District. This places our total at 63, with 59 in Kootenai County and four in Bonner County.

Thanks to our continued efforts locally of heeding the social distancing guidelines we are finding that 39 of our 63 cases are no longer being monitored. This is defined by the Panhandle Health District as a person who has stayed home for the recommended period of time and have not had a fever for at least 72 hours. Details on any new cases are posted and updated in real time on [www.panhandlehealthdistrict.org/covid-19/](http://www.panhandlehealthdistrict.org/covid-19/).

As of today, 5 of the 63 cases have resulted in hospitalizations. This does not mean these patients are currently hospitalized, only that they were hospitalized for COVID-19 and are also confirmed positive with COVID-19.

Unfortunately, there is a lot of misinformation out there on social media. So for the most accurate and up-to-date information on COVID-19 please continue to follow the Kootenai County Office of Emergency Management's Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/kootenaioem/](https://www.facebook.com/kootenaioem/).

For any inquiries regarding COVID-19 in Kootenai County, you can contact our Citizen Inquiry line Monday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm at 208-446-2292.

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