PRESS RELEASE
COVID-19
March 30, 2020 – 11:30pm

FIRST POSITIVE CASE OF
CORANAVIRUS (COVID-19)
INDENTIFIED IN BARTON COUNTY

The Barton County Health Department reports the first positive case of coronavirus (COVID-19) in Barton County. Testing was confirmed on Monday, March 30th at 11:00 A.M.

The case involves a female patient over the age of age 60 with a travel history. The patient has been in quarantine for a week, is in isolation at home and expects a full recovery. The Barton County Health Department is doing patient contact investigation to learn who the patient may have had contact with while symptomatic. Any individuals who are at of risk exposure will be contacted as soon as possible. The Health Department will monitor all contacts for fever and respiratory symptoms. No further information about the patient will be released.

Please practice good hygiene by coughing into your sleeve, frequently washing your hands with soap and water for 20 seconds or more, disinfect high touch areas continually and practice social distancing by maintaining a 6-foot perimeter.

We will continue to provide further information as it becomes available.