



COVID-19 UPDATE



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City of Menasha Health Department

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What's New?

WI Neg Results: 163,238

WI Case Count: 13,885

Menasha: 28

Winnebago County: 141

Outagamie County: 161

Calumet County: 61

5/15/20—The City of Menasha issued an order superseding the 5/14/20 local Safer at Home order. The new order lifts the local Safer at Home order and issues COVID-19 recommendations. View the press release [here](#). View the full recommendations [here](#).

5/20/20—Gov. Evers announced a \$25 million Wisconsin Rental Assistance Program for those experiencing income loss as a result of COVID-19. Administered by the Department of Administration (DOA), the program provides direct financial assistance for owed rent, security deposits, and wrap around services for program individuals. Eligible applicants must be an WI adult resident with a household income at or below 80% of the county medium income in the month prior to the application date. View the press release [here](#). Initial details from the DOA can be found [here](#).

Resources to stay up to date on the latest COVID-19 News



[CDC COVID-19 USA Out-break](#)



[Wisconsin Department of Health Services COVID-19 Page](#)



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[Wisconsin Governor's Office Page](#)

City of Menasha Closure Updates: City hall, PWF, Menasha Utilities, Library and Senior Center remain closed to public. The Library is now offering curbside service for picking up ordered materials and for material drop off.

Happy Memorial Day Weekend!

Memorial Day Weekend kicks off the beginning of summer, but this year it might look a bit different. A few things such as restaurants, parks, and retail businesses are beginning to open. Before heading out, confirm hours of operation and individual business safety protocols.

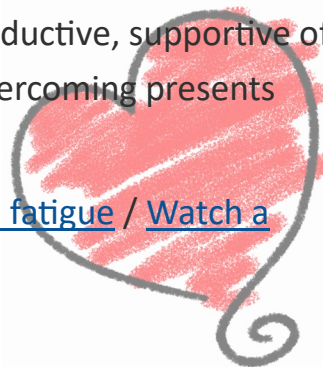
We are asking our community to continue to follow recommended guidelines to stay safe as we move toward reopening.

1. Maintain 6 feet of physical distance from others.
2. Wash hands regularly. Use hand sanitizer when handwashing isn't available.
3. Sanitize frequently touched surfaces.
4. Wear a face mask when going into public spaces.
5. Do not go out in public if you are sick. Contact your healthcare provider for testing.

Trying to maintain compassion?

Try offering yourself some! Science has shown that self-compassion makes us less anxious, depressed and self-critical — and more productive, supportive of others and physically healthier. The pandemic we are overcoming presents the perfect storm for compassion fatigue.

[Read about the signs and how to overcome compassion fatigue](#) / [Watch a video](#)



[The names of nursing homes with active COVID-19 facility-wide public health investigations are now listed on the DHS website](#) in order to provide peace of mind to families who cannot visit loved ones. Please be assured that long-term care and nursing home facilities are proactively informing residents, family members and health departments about positive cases in their facilities. Listing nursing homes is a way to provide additional transparency about where infections may be occurring.

COVID-19 FAQ

Can wearing a face mask cause hypercapnia?

Several studies and a number of statements by health officials show that people who wear cloth or surgical masks are in little to no danger of hypercapnia (i.e., excessive levels of carbon dioxide in the blood stream). According to statements made by the CDC, when following recommendations for the use of cloth face coverings to help slow the spread of COVID-19, the level of CO₂ that builds up inside the mask is mostly tolerable to people who do not wear the mask for an extended period of time. While a sensitivity to CO₂ makes wearing the mask more uncomfortable, it is unlikely to cause hypercapnia when occasionally wearing it out in public. It is important to note that the CDC recommended cloth face coverings are not surgical masks or N95 respirators.

Resilient Wisconsin Tip #12

How to cope with staying safer at home? This [tip sheet](#) describes ways to cope with being asked to stay home during this public health emergency.