



TO: LOCAL NEWS MEDIA

FROM: SALINE COUNTY, SALINE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, SALINE COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND THE CITY OF SALINA

DATE: March 28th, 2020

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

As of 5 pm, March 28th, 2020, Saline County does not have any residents that have a confirmed positive case of COVID-19. Just because no positive cases have been reported through our official channels, doesn't mean that there isn't a potential for a positive case to exist within our community. It is possible that a person hasn't met the requirements for the testing set by KDHE and have been advised by their medical provider to self-quarantine. When a positive case is identified in Saline County, the Saline County Health Department will be the only official source to release that information.

On Saturday, March 28th, Governor Kelly issued a Statewide Stay-At-Home that takes priority over the Saline County Safer-At-Home order issued by the Saline County Health Officer. The Statewide order is in effect beginning 12:01 am, Monday, March 30th until April 19, 2020 unless extended or rescinded. The Saline County Safer-At-Home order would then go into effect on April 20th, 2020 unless sooner amended, superseded or rescinded.

A copy of the Governor's Executive Order issuing the Statewide Stay-at-Home order and a copy of her Kansas Essential Functions are attached to this release. If there are any questions from our business community as to whether or not they are deemed essential or any activity is deemed essential, please email your questions to keff@ks.gov.

Our County website www.saline.org has been updated with the most current information.

As stated many times before, this is a rapidly changing situation. Our local government leaders are working hard and are making difficult decisions as it relates to the best interests of the health and safety of our citizens and employees.

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