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Population survey to gauge COVID-19 symptoms in Douglas County

LAWRENCE – Lawrence-Douglas County Public Health and Unified Command partners City of Lawrence, Douglas County and LMH Health are asking Douglas County residents to complete a short survey in order to understand how many people in Douglas County have or do not have symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19). The survey is available starting Friday, April 17, and will close at 5 p.m. Monday, April 20.

Since the COVID-19 outbreak began earlier this year, nearly 1,100 people have been tested in Douglas County (as of April 17, 42 have tested positive) under Kansas Department of Health and Environment protocols, which have been in place to help preserve available testing resources. Beyond those testing protocols, [a population survey](#) is a way to identify the percentage of population experiencing symptoms and seeking to identify potential trends geographically on the potential spread of the virus.

Here are the links to the surveys:

- English: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DGCO_COVID
- Spanish: https://es.surveymonkey.com/r/DGCO_COVID_S
- Chinese: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DGCO_COVID_C

This short survey asks about your symptoms or lack of symptoms, demographic and contact information. Please complete the survey for every member of your household. The information is confidential and will only be used by Lawrence-Douglas County Public Health to determine how potentially prevalent COVID-19 is in the community. You will be asked to do this same survey several more times in the next few weeks in order to compare results.

“We ask Douglas County residents to fill out the survey accurately and completely, to let us know whether they are currently experiencing symptoms or not. Completing the survey is voluntary, but we ask that as many people as possible participate to get a good picture of how the coronavirus is affecting the community,” said Sonia Jordan, Director of Informatics at Lawrence-Douglas County Public Health.

Anyone with questions about the survey can call the Lawrence-Douglas County Public Health Coronavirus Hotline at 785-856-4343 or email info@ldchealth.org.