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PRESS RELEASE

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STATEMENT REGARDING COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS)

Island County, March 24, 2020:

Island County Public Health is continuing to investigate a confirmed COVID-19 outbreak at Careage of Whidbey in Coupeville. 10 cases have been confirmed by the WA State Department of Health. Test results are pending for other residents and employees. This is the first confirmed outbreak of COVID-19 associated with a long-term care facility in Island County.

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19) cases are now spread widely throughout Island County. All residents must take urgent action to help minimize the health impacts of COVID-19. The Governor's [Stay Home, Stay Healthy](#) order apply to our entire community, in all locations, on both Camano and Whidbey Islands.

Anyone who has been exposed to a confirmed case should quarantine themselves at home for 14 days. People experiencing symptoms need to stay at home for at least 3 days after their symptoms resolve or at a minimum 7 days, whichever is longer.

For additional support and information:

WA State Department of Health – www.doh.wa.gov/emergencies/coronavirus.

Call Center # 1.800.525.0127, Sunday through Saturday (6:00am – 10:00pm)

Island County Public Health – www.islandcountywa.gov/Health/Pages/COVID-19.aspx

Call Center # 360.678.2301, Mondays through Fridays (8:00am – 4:30pm), Saturdays and Sundays (9:00am – 4:00pm)