We continue to meet frequently to discuss the Coronavirus pandemic. We’d like you to know that as of Friday, April 3, 2020, we have yet to have a confirmed positive case in Lake County. We do know that all of these tests have a 30% chance of missing a positive case. Due to that fact, we are uncertain of our true numbers at this time.

Cases in the counties surrounding Lake County are increasing rapidly, and you can follow the progression at the Oregon Health Authority website. We ask you to remain vigilant with in-home social isolation. Be mindful of the occasions that you leave your home for any reason, making sure it is truly essential. Please don’t travel to Klamath or Bend as you may be the one to bring it back to Lake County.

Our colleagues around the world are trying different modalities to fight this pandemic. We are attempting to learn from others’ mistakes and successes to develop an action plan that will help our community. Unfortunately there doesn’t seem to be a magic bullet cure for any given patient that has severe Coronavirus.

We do know that across the world and our country, essential healthcare resources are scarce. From personnel, personal protective equipment, to ventilators and other oxygen therapies, there doesn’t seem to be enough for everyone. Lakeview is not immune to this crisis.

Our BEST WAY to fight this pandemic at this time is prevention. We all have a part in this. If everyone follows the recommendations, including staying socially isolated in your home as long as necessary and practicing meticulous hand hygiene, we can change the impact that Coronavirus will have on our community. Prevention is the one true way to ensure the health of every individual.

We’d like to say thank you to every person and every business that is doing their part: YOU ARE DOING THE RIGHT THING.

Stay home, stay safe - Medical Staff