

A MESSAGE FROM THE HEALTH COMMISSIONER

Dear Community Members:

The purpose of public health is to protect and improve the health and well-being of the community. You might be surprised by how often your life and safety have been impacted by the health department. From restaurant inspections, to outreach immunization clinics, to car seat installations, to now the Coronavirus pandemic, our trained staff members work every day to make Medina a safe place to live. Everything we do is in response to these needs.



There is conflicting information floating around the internet, confusion on why some activities are permitted and others are not, and I think a general sense of frustration from all the unknowns. As more locations re-open, I hope to move all of us from a place of fear to one of power. Data will play a major role in helping everyone determine their individual risk for various activities. This will be true for this summer and into fall. Protecting your health is done in partnership with you, and providing data for informed choices is an important component.

I have asked my team to create a [dashboard](#) on our website with various types of data to show statistics on cases and demographics, the impact of illness spread, and nursing home data. We hope this information helps to bring more clarity to COVID-19's impact in our county.

The dashboard can be found on the outbreak page on our website, MedinaHealth.org and will be updated on Friday each week. Moving forward, I will send my weekly Coronavirus update on Tuesdays. The zip code map will be updated weekly on the data dashboard. Don't forget to tap into other areas of our website for information on re-opening businesses, resources for families, and other information to help you make decisions that work best for you and your family.

