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RE: COVID-19 and Fort Dodge Fire Rescue UPDATE

Since the announcement of the first Fire Rescue positive COVID-19 test result on June 16, 2020, the department has had an additional three positive case among its ranks. Of the four total positives, two have recovered and, currently, two others are quarantined. None of the cases can be tied to each other.

Fort Dodge Fire Rescue has protocols, PPE and decontamination processes in place to limit or prevent the spread of infection between patients and fire personnel. Fire personnel follow these protocols during all treatment and interaction with residents. Fort Dodge Fire Rescue continues to work internally and with the Webster County Public Health Department to identify any individuals who may have come into contact with the affected Fire Department personnel and will contact those individuals directly as part of the contact tracing process.

We remain committed to safely serving the citizens of Fort Dodge and Webster County. Due to health privacy rights, the City is unable to provide any information about the identities of the affected employees.