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The positive COVID-19 case first reported on March 19, 2020 as a resident of Wadena County was later identified as a resident of Clay County. The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) website was corrected to reflect this update. The message received from MDH stated: “Initial information that the Minnesota Department of Health received on a positive COVID-19 case indicated the individual lived in Wadena County. However, further investigation revealed the person lived in Clay County.”

This can serve as a reminder for all of us in Wadena County to stay calm and do the right thing to keep ourselves and those around us safe.

To help prevent COVID-19 spread, follow the same steps that you would to avoid the seasonal flu:

- Stay home and away from others if you are sick.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with your elbow or a tissue.
- Wash your hands frequently for 20 seconds with soap and water.
- Avoid touching your face throughout the day.

MDH has a public hotline available daily, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. The hotline number is 651-201-3920 or 1-800-657-3903. Anyone can call this number with questions about COVID-19.

Visit www.cdc.gov and www.health.state.mn.us for more information about COVID-19.

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