NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATE
FEBRUARY 13, 2020

WHAT IS NOVEL CORONAVIRUS?
There are many types of coronavirus. A new strain was found in Wuhan, China has caused serious illness. It was called "2019 novel coronavirus" but is now named COVID-19. In the US there are 15 known cases. There is one known case in Wisconsin.
★ The risk to La Crosse County residents is low at this time. ★

WHO IS AT RISK FOR COVID-19?
★ People who have recently traveled to China.
★ People in close contact with someone who has COVID-19.

It is important to remember that viruses do not discriminate based on race or nationality, and neither should we.

WHAT IS BEING DONE TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC?
The health department is working with experts from the WI Department of Health Services (DHS) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to monitor COVID-19. Travelers are being screened at airports. Processes to monitor those at risk are in place. If people are at risk they are being kept separate from others (quarantine) until monitoring shows they are not at risk of getting COVID-19 and can return to regular activities.

INFLUENZA IS A BIGGER RISK
Protect yourself from getting sick by:
★ washing your hands often    ★ covering your mouth and nose when coughing
★ staying home if you are sick  ★ avoiding others who are sick

Contact your health care provider if you have concerns.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
CDC.GOV/CORONAVIRUS
DHS.WISCONSIN.GOV/DISEASE/CORONAVIRUS.HTM

HAVE QUESTIONS? ASK US AT
FACEBOOK.COM/LACROSSECOUNTYHEALTHDEPARTMENT