

A message on prevention of COVID-19 outbreaks from Oshu City Mayor

The State of Emergency issued to 19 prefectures and Quasi-State of Emergency issued to 8 prefectures were completely lifted on September 30.

The infection conditions within the prefecture show that we have gotten out of critical conditions while the Iwate State of Emergency was in effect. Since the declaration was lifted, there have been days when no new infections were confirmed, and the number of infected persons and the hospitalized persons is decreasing.

No infections have been confirmed within the jurisdiction of the Oshu Health Center for more than ten days from September 19th. This is due to citizens' thorough implementation of basic infection control measures and other efforts to prevent infection such as refraining from going out for unnecessary and non-urgent matters. I would like to express my sincere gratitude for your cooperation.

In this way, the 5th wave is settling down, but experts in infection control are calling for caution against a 6th wave, which is expected in winter.

Basic infection control measures are very effective in

preventing a new spread of infections, so please do not let your guard down and continue to take actions to prevent infection.

- Thoroughly wash hands, disinfect, and wear a mask at all times, wherever you are.
- Avoid at least one of the three Cs, Closed spaces, Crowded places, and Close contact.

In addition, when moving about, check the conditions of the places you visit and places you depart from, and make serious decisions when going to and from areas where infections are spreading and areas where you are requested to refrain from unnecessary and non-urgent travel.

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