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### **Offutt active duty member tests positive for COVID-19**

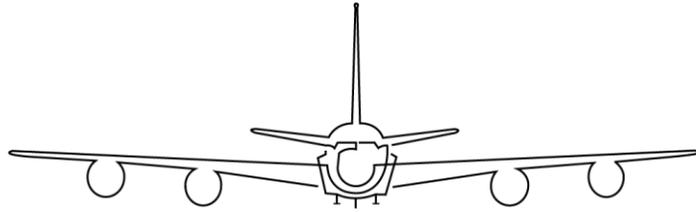
**OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE, Neb.** – An active duty member assigned to Offutt Air Force Base has tested positive for COVID-19.

The service member followed Offutt AFB recommended protocols and self-identified for testing upon presenting with symptoms. At that time, isolation was initiated for the member's household, per Center for Disease Control guidelines. Contact tracing was accomplished and it was determined that the member was not in close contact with anyone outside of their household at or after the onset of symptoms. The service member is currently recovering well and being closely monitored by medical personnel.

Offutt AFB is currently in Health Protection Condition Charlie, which initiates procedures designed to mitigate a moderate health threat to base personnel due to a heightened exposure risk. Recommended protection measures include: social distancing, continued strict hygiene and increased sanitizing measures in common areas.

Offutt AFB is committed to protecting its military members, civilian employees and their family members. Officials are working closely with Sarpy County public health officials and are adhering to Center for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines for COVID-19.

People experiencing mild to severe respiratory illness with symptoms of a fever above 100.4, cough, and shortness of breath, or who have had contact with a person suspected to have COVID-19, should contact the TRICARE Nurse Advice Line at 1-800-TRICARE (1-800-874-



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2273) or their medical provider before visiting a medical treatment facility. Additional information is available at [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus).

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