



JACKSON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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TEN NEW COVID-19 CASES REPORTED IN JACKSON COUNTY

Jackson County Health Department was notified in the past 24 hours of ten Jackson County residents confirmed to have contracted COVID-19. The individuals are as follows:

- Female – one preteen, one teen, one in her twenties, one in her thirties, one in her forties and one in her fifties;
- Male – one in his twenties, two in their thirties, and one in his forties.

They acquired the disease either through contact with known cases or through transmission in the community (i.e., unable to trace back to a known source). They are being placed in isolation.

To date, there have been 692 confirmed cases in the county, including 19 related deaths. Thirty-six individuals were released from isolation, in accordance with CDC guidelines, bringing the total released to 562 individuals. 111 active cases are currently being managed.

Due to concerns over the transmission of COVID-19 in Jackson County, Jackson County Health Department has temporarily restricted issuance of temporary food permits. Vendors with annual licenses from the Health Department are not directly impacted by this decision. This restriction will be removed by health officials once data regarding local COVID-19 transmission trends more favorably.

If you have a fever, cough, difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle aches, loss of taste or smell, nausea, diarrhea or other symptoms, call your health care provider for further guidance. Two providers are conducting COVID-19 testing of eligible individuals in Jackson County: Southern Illinois Healthcare (SIH) – Call 1-844-988-7800; and Shawnee Health Service – Call 618-519-9200.

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