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Pike County, IL – As of 4/20/20, Pike County Health Department (PCHD) is reporting there are no known current cases of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Pike County, IL. The only lab confirmed positive case in Pike County has been released from isolation. Results from over 40 tests have been negative. Staff at PCHD have been collaborating with neighboring County Communicable and Infectious Disease staff on contact tracing of Pike County residents who have been in close contact with positive cases in other counties.

PCHD would like to remind everyone that the low number of cases does not mean that the virus is not here in Pike County. Everyone needs to do his or her part in reducing the spread of COVID-19 by:

- Washing your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds – especially after you have been in a public place, or after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with those that are sick.
- Stay home as much as possible.
- Put as much distance between yourself and other people as possible. Remember that some people without symptoms may be able to spread the virus.
- Cover your nose and mouth with a cloth face covering when around others.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily.

For more information, go to www.cdc.gov/COVID19. You can also visit our Facebook page for daily updates.

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