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## News Release – 2 New Case of the COVID-19 Virus in Pike County, IL

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**Pike County, IL** – On August 10, 2020, Pike County Health Department (PCHD) was notified of two new Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) cases in Pike County – a male in his 50's and a male in his 70's. Close contacts are being identified and will be asked to quarantine for 14 days from their last contact with the positive case per CDC guidelines.

A total of twenty-five COVID-19 cases in Pike County residents have been reported to PCHD. Twelve cases are active, one is hospitalized, and thirteen have recovered.

### Ways to prevent the spread:

- Wash 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. Please stay home and away from others when you are not feeling well.
- Maintain social distancing recommendations of at least 6 feet. 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 and unable to socially distance.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue, then throw the tissue away and wash your hands.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily.
- Avoid social gatherings of more than 50 people per the Illinois Recovery Plan.

**For any complaints about individuals or businesses not complying with IDPH recommendations on social distancing and masking, please contact your local law enforcement agency or the Pike County State's Attorney.**

PCHD continues to recommend that everyone follow the CDC and IDPH guidelines mentioned above. It is up to the general public to slow this uptick in cases. Without the help of each and every resident of Pike County, our County will continue to see an increase in cases which could lead to serious illness and death.

**For general questions about the COVID-19 virus, call 1-800-889-3931**

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