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## News Release ALARMING INCREASE OF COVID-19 CASES IN PIKE COUNTY

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**Pittsfield, IL** – The Pike County Health Department (PCHD) has seen an alarming increase in the rate of COVID-19 cases in Pike County. As of 11/10/20, the PCHD has been informed of 627 lab confirmed positive and 37 probable cases of COVID-19 in Pike County. Of those, 172 cases are active, 11 are hospitalized, and there have been 14 COVID-19 related deaths.

PCHD staff are working tirelessly to reach positive cases and close contacts and we have not been able to return calls and messages in a timely manner. Beginning 11/9/20, calls are being triaged to help expedite a response. Please dial 217-285-4407 extension 100. Your patience is greatly appreciated.

On November 2, 2020 Illinois Region 3, which includes Pike County, was put under mitigation requirements by the State of Illinois. The 7-day rolling positivity rate for the region was 11% and the 7-day rolling positivity rate for Pike County was 12.9% at that time.

As of November 6, 2020, the 7-day rolling positivity rate for Pike County has risen to 18.6%. Unless we, as Pike County residents, patrons, employees, and business owners pull together to reduce the spread of this virus, we could be subject to further mitigations. It is up to each and every one of us to make a difference.

Please wear a mask while in public (indoors or outdoors) when you are unable to maintain social distance, wash your hands, and maintain social distance.

For updates on Pike County COVID-19 cases, please go to our website at <a href="https://www.pikecountyil.org/health-department/health-depa

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

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