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## PCHD News Release PCHD Continues to See Large Number of COVID-19 Cases in Pike County, IL

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**Pike County, IL** – The Pike County Health Department (PCHD) has been notified of 120 new cases of COVID-19 from the evening of January 14, 2022 through Tuesday morning, January 18, 2022. This huge spike in cases across the State of Illinois has caused a significant delay in getting results for those who have received a PCR test at the health department.

PCHD continues to test individuals, over the age of 5, Monday through Thursday from 8:30am through 12:30pm. PCHD is located at 606 W Adams Street in Pittsfield,

Please note that this testing is NOT a rapid test. Tests results will be available in 3-4 days. Participants will receive instructions via email on how to retrieve their results. If the participant does not have an email address, PCHD will call with results.

Follow posted signage to enter the testing site. Testing will be drive-up. **Participants will need to remain in their vehicle and park in the designated area**. PCHD staff will gather necessary information for testing and oversee self-collection of the COVID-19 test.

Anyone testing positive will receive a text from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) with a link to follow as well as a contact phone number (312-777-1999). Anyone needing a return to work letter will also need to call the 312-777-1999 phone number.

PCHD also provides free COVID-19 vaccinations and booster shots. Clinics will be every Thursday in January and February, 1:30 – 4:30 pm at the health department. Please go to www.pikecountyil.org for more information.

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