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MONROE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
CORONAVIRUS UPDATES

The Monroe County Health Department will provide short updates and information to share to help keep everyone informed on the rapidly changing coronavirus pandemic. These updates will not replace regular press releases for more urgent information. You can also view updates on our Facebook page (updated daily) and our website at www.co.monroe.in.us/HealthDepartment *.*

Novel Coronavirus CASES –

Cases of novel coronavirus or COVID-19 have **doubled or more** in the last week. This is likely due to both increased testing as well as transmission.

Date	Globally	United States	Indiana	Monroe County
3/24/20	392,331	46,450	981	3
3/31/20	801,400	164,610	2159	30

Source- John Hopkins University, Indiana State Department of Health Dashboard

As of 3/31/20, Indiana has 49 deaths related to COVID-19, with 86% occurring in people over age 60 and 2/3 occurring in men (ISDH).

- Governor Holcomb issued Executive Order 20-14 *Continuation of Executive Orders 20-04, 20-10 & 20-11 Pertaining to Restaurants and Alcoholic Beverages* that extends the original Executive Order 20-04 to 11:59 p.m. on April 6, 2020, to be in alignment with the stay at home order (Executive Order 20-08). A new provision was added to the original that prohibits all portions of the premises of a dining establishment, including not only interior areas but also patios, areas of outside seating and parking lots.

- Special thanks to the Bloomington Health Foundation (*please tag on Facebook @bloomhf*) for their leadership and support in financially supporting urgent, local health care needs and also partnering to help us share COVID-19 public service announcements (PSA's) in the community. These PSA's are a partnership with B97/Hoosier Country, the Monroe County

Health Department and the Bloomington Health Foundation. Tune in to either station or listen here: https://bloomhf.org/news/bhf-covid-19-psas/

- The Monroe County Health Department Foods Division has been working with local retail food establishments regarding proper sanitation and social distancing measures. Frequent communication via email and sharing of updated information and resource materials has provided facilities with appropriate tools to slow the spread of COVID-19.

  Other department staff have been providing updated guidance and assistance to community members as well as local service organizations, daycares, schools and businesses.

- CDC issued a Level 3 Global Travel Health Notice to advise travelers to avoid all nonessential international travel. They issued a domestic notice for New York, New Jersey and Connecticut.

- The state of Indiana is looking for people who want to provide care for others. Hoosiers Serving Hoosiers is a FSSA program that links direct care professionals to jobs caring for those with disabilities, the elderly or children of first responders https://www.in.gov/fssa/5769.htm.

- The COVID-19 Resource Guide for Hoosiers is a resource both for those who need help and who want to provide help during this public health crisis https://coronavirus.in.gov/files/IN_COVID-19%20Resource%20Guide%203-28-20.pdf

- The Weather Channel/IBM has added a COVID-19 tracking map which allows people to see novel coronavirus data at the county, state, national and global level. IBM's dashboard is sourced from WHO, country, state and local health department data. Since it is updated very early in the morning, data obtained may not match websites or dashboards that update later in the day.

- Apple has teamed up with the CDC for an app and website that guides Americans through questions about their health and exposure to determine if they should seek care for COVID-19: https://www.apple.com/covid19/

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