

We Are Still in This Together - Maintaining the fight against Covid-19

A message to the residents of Monroe County from community leaders

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. – The Monroe County Health Department, Monroe County Board of Commissioners, City of Bloomington, Indiana University Health, and Indiana University are standing together to support continuing Covid-19 safety precautions amid rising cases.

We are united in the belief that the pandemic is not yet over and that it is not yet time to let down our guard. We stand beside the Monroe County Health Officer and Health Board in maintaining the mask and social distancing mandates put in place to protect our community.

Monroe County's weekly case rate per 100,000 people more than doubled this week from a low of 63 last month to 128 cases, causing the county to return to the Yellow Advisory Level on the Indiana Department of Health (IDOH) Coronavirus Metrics map at www.coronavirus.in.gov. The daily rolling average doubled to 26 cases within the same period while the positivity rate rose 50% to 0.9%

This shows our numbers are going in the wrong direction. We must continue the Covid-19 safety precautions currently in place: wearing masks, social distancing, diligent hand hygiene and staying home while ill. These actions, along with getting vaccinated against Covid-19, will protect our families, our neighbors and our community.

If you haven't received your vaccination yet, please visit www.ourshot.IN.gov to find area clinic sites and make an appointment.

We will continue to urge all our community members to maintain the measures necessary to protect themselves and each other until medical professionals advise otherwise.

The Monroe County Health Board will meet next on April 6th to review the current health regulations and update as needed. We support their efforts to protect the health of the community.

Let's stay the course and keep each other well.

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These community leaders meet regularly via teleconference to share information and resources in response to Covid-19 in an effort to keep the community safe.

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