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Miami County Public Health COVID-19 Update

Miami County – Miami County is currently at an Orange #2 COVID-19 Risk Level. This is due to Miami County meeting the criteria for 2 of the 7 Alert Indicators:

- 50+ cases /100,000 population within last 2 weeks
- More than 50% of new cases are from non-congregate care living

This risk level indicates increased exposure and spread of COVID-19. It is advised that community members exercise a high degree of caution and follow all current health orders. Limit events over ten people and non-essential activities as much as possible. In addition to the 2 indicators met, Miami County is listed as a High Incidence area. This means that a county is flagged as high incidence when more than 100 cases per 100,000 residents over the last 2 weeks.

For more information on the Public Health Advisory System visit: https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/public-health-advisory-system/

Since September 18th, 2020, there have been 229 new COVID-19 cases, 20 new hospitalizations and 6 new deaths reported. This brings the total number of COVID-19 cases in Miami County to 1555, with 1315 confirmed cases and 240 probable cases, 145 hospitalizations and 55 deaths, with 1232 presumed recovered.

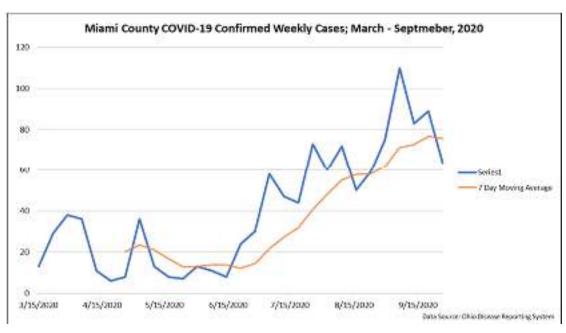
In the month of September, Miami County had 465 COVID-19 cases. This was up significantly from the 270 case in August. As we move into fall and temperatures drop, outdoor activities will become more challenging and people will begin to gather inside. To help slow the spread of COVID-19, MCPH strongly encourages everyone, especially anyone attending an event, to wear a mask/face covering and practice safe social distancing. If you are sick or if you live with

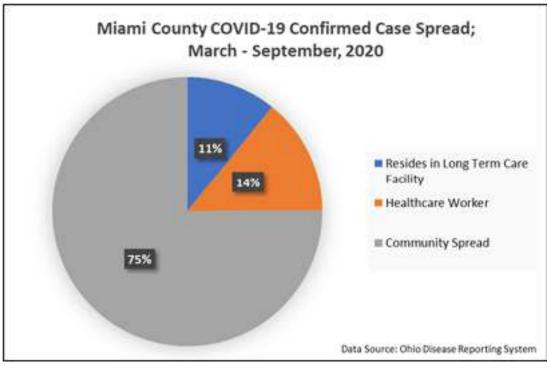
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someone who is sick, stay home. Please do not attend school, sports activities, social gatherings, or other events.





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MCPH is working diligently to keep the community safe and informed as the COVID-19 situation continues to evolve in Miami County.

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