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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 25th, 2020, there have been 288 new COVID-19 cases, 27 new hospitalizations and 5 new deaths reported. This brings the total number of COVID-19 cases in Miami County to 1716, with 1464 confirmed cases and 252 probable cases, 157 hospitalizations and 56 deaths, with 1329 presumed recovered.

Over the past few weeks Miami County has seen a significant surge in positive COVID-19 cases. There have been numerous reports of declined adherence to guidance put forth by the Ohio Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention about wearing a masks or facial coverings and maintaining the proper social distance of at least 6 feet when in public, and staying home if you are sick. With weather changing and people begin gathering





indoors, it is even more important now that community member follow these guidelines. Please do not attend school, sports activities, social gatherings, or other events. These are the only steps we can take to slow the spread of COVID-19.

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

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