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Jasper County Health Department Reports Two Deaths of COVID-19 Bringing the Total to One Hundred-fifty-eight.

The Jasper County Health Department is saddened to report two deaths of Jasper County residents due to COVID-19. This brings the total deaths to one hundred-fifty-eight. The residents include two males with one in his 50's and one in his 60's. Our condolences go out to the family members.

Everyone is urged to take preventive actions to prevent the spread of all respiratory viruses. These actions include:

- Avoid social gatherings of more than ten (10) people.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Wear a mask if social distancing cannot be attained.
- Receive a vaccination as they become available.

Older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions may be at higher risk for more serious complications from COVID-19. If you think you have been exposed to COVID-19 and develop a fever and symptoms, such as cough or difficulty breathing, call your health care provider for medical advice before showing up.

Please note that reports of COVID-19 deaths may be delayed slightly so that death certificate verification can be conducted for accurate reporting.

For more information, visit the DHSS website at www.health.mo.gov/coronavirus or the CDC website at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus. A statewide COVID-19 hotline also operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at 877-435-8411.