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NEWS RELEASE

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[Madison, IN] Jefferson County will be moving back to an ORANGE advisory level on the Indiana Department of Health County metrics map.

ORANGE advisory indicates we are experiencing moderate to high community spread. There are no group setting outbreaks in our county at this time.

Advisory levels are factored using two metrics. Metric one is our 7-day positivity rate; metric two is our weekly cases per 100,000 residents. When looking at the State Department of Health Dashboard map at [ISDH - Novel Coronavirus: Indiana COVID-19 Dashboard and Map](#), use the drop-down box next to map filter to see advisory level color. You can use this drop-down box to see our 7-day positivity rate score and our weekly cases per 100,000 resident's score. These two metrics are averaged to determine our color advisory for the week.

If you are sick, please seek testing right away and stay away from others until you know your results. You can receive free testing at the Jefferson County Community Testing Site located at King's Daughters' Hospital Convenient Care, 445 Clifty Drive, Madison, IN 47250 812 273-5372, or you can schedule your COVID test by visiting www.coronavirus.in.gov

Breakthrough cases remain at approximately 0.3% across the State with Jefferson County reporting 92 breakthrough cases. Breakthrough hospitalizations are 0.009% of vaccinated individuals with breakthrough deaths remaining at 0.003% across the State of Indiana. A breakthrough case is defined as a U.S. resident who test positive for COVID-19 by PCR or antigen test at least 14 days after completing the primary series of an FDA-authorized COVID-19 vaccine (2 doses of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines or 1 dose of the Johnson & Johnson [Janssen] vaccine).

The Jefferson County Health Department urges all Jefferson County residents and visitors to get vaccinated against COVID-19. You can schedule your COVID vaccine by visiting www.ourshot.in.gov We are also accepting walk-ins in our office located at 715 Green Road, Madison, IN 47250 Monday thru Friday 9am-3pm. We have all three vaccines available, Pfizer, Moderna, and Johnson and Johnson. Individual's age 12 – 17 years of age must receive Pfizer vaccine and have an adult present.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE JEFFERSON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

Universal masking for all individuals in indoor public settings regardless of vaccination status.

Universal indoor masking for all teachers, staff, students, and visitors to K-12 schools, regardless of vaccination status.