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County metrics advisory level: ORANGE

We are continuing experience a COVID-19 outbreak in one of our congregate settings. A congregate setting is defined as an environment where a number of people reside, meet or gather in close proximity for a limited or extended period of time. Due to this outbreak, we are continuing to see our positivity rate climb. However, not all of our new cases this past week stem from the congregate setting, we are seeing mild to moderate community spread. We will move to an ORANGE advisory status when the county metrics update today at noon on the Indiana Department of Health website www.coronavirus.in.gov

The Jefferson County Health Department would like to encourage and advise all Jefferson County residents and visitors to continue to be vigilant and to take responsibility for their safety and health and safety and health of those around them by continuing to mask up, social distance and hand wash/sanitize, avoid crowded venues.

There have been less than 5 confirmed positive COVID-19 cases of the UK variant B.1.1.7 reported in Jefferson County.

We continue to administer COVID vaccines Monday thru Friday at the Jefferson County Health Department for those 18 years of age and older. Appointments can be scheduled by visiting www.ourshot.in.gov or by calling 211, we also are now allowing walk-ins on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays 2pm-5pm and Thursdays and Fridays 10am-2pm.

We urge all Jefferson County residents and visitors to get vaccinated against COVID-19. Jefferson County currently has four vaccine sites to choose from. You can schedule your vaccination by visiting www.ourshot.in.gov or by calling 211. Vaccine is now eligible to 16 years of age and older. All 16- and 17-year-olds must receive a Pfizer vaccine.

We also encourage all residents to seek testing if you develop symptoms of COVID-19. Jefferson County currently has two free testing sites, you can schedule your test by visiting www.coronavirus.in.gov