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COVID-19 CASE INVESTIGATION IN WARREN COUNTY

The Barren River District Health Department is investigating a case of COVID-19 (2019 novel coronavirus) in a Warren County resident. The patient is a 73-year-old male. Health officials are working with the Kentucky Department for Public Health (KDPH) to identify and contact all those who may have been exposed to the infected person. These individuals will be monitored for fever and respiratory symptoms. Dr. Matthew L. Hunt, Health Department Director, says, "As the situation evolves, we will continue to communicate with KDPH and the residents of the Barren River District. The best way to prevent illness is to limit exposure to the virus. There are everyday preventative actions that can be taken in order to reduce the spread of the virus."

The health department recommends to continue to follow the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) guidelines.

- Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Practice social distancing by putting distance between yourself and other people. This is especially important for people who are at higher risk of getting very sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using an EPA-registered household disinfectant.

For questions about COVID-19, call the State hotline at (800) 722-5725 or visit <u>www.barrenriverhealth.org/covid-19-information</u> or <u>https://govstatus.egov.com/kycovid19</u>.



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