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COVID-19 COMMUNITY GUIDANCE ON CASE INTERVIEWS AND ISOLATION RELEASE

The Barren River District, along with the State of Kentucky, continues to experience a surge of positive COVID-19 cases. In order to keep up with rapidly increasing cases, disease investigation and case management processes have changed. As guidelines continue to evolve, Kentucky's public health agencies remain dedicated to lowering the spread of the virus in our communities.

The Barren River District Health Department (BRDHD) will continue to conduct case investigations to collect limited information for each individual who tests positive for COVID-19. BRDHD will no longer issue individual case Isolation and Controlled Movement Agreements or individual case Release from Isolation Letters. During interviews case investigators will continue to provide each case with verbal isolation instructions and guidance for quarantine of close contacts. Cases should access written guidance on the Community Guidance page of our website at www.barrenriverhealth.org/covid-19-community-guidance. Positive cases and their contacts should visit our website as soon as possible after a case receives a positive test result for instructions on what to do next.

We strongly encourage everyone who is eligible to get the vaccine do so as soon as possible. The COVID-19 vaccine is available at multiple locations in the area. To find a vaccine near you, visit www.vaccines.gov/search. If you are 18 years of age or older and would like schedule vaccination with the Barren River District Health Department, call your local health department and press option 1. Clinic contact information is listed at the end of the press release.

BRDHD is currently providing additional doses of Moderna COVID-19 vaccine for immunocompromised individuals at this time. Immunocompromised individuals includes those who have:

- Been receiving active cancer treatment for tumors or cancers of the blood
- Received an organ transplant and are taking medicine to suppress the immune system
- Received a stem cell transplant within the last 2 years or are taking medicine to suppress the immune system
- Moderate or severe primary immunodeficiency (such as DiGeorge syndrome, Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome)
- Advanced or untreated HIV infection
- Active treatment with high-dose corticosteroids or other drugs that may suppress your immune response







For more information on COVID-19 in Kentucky, visit https://govstatus.egov.com/kycovid19.

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Butler County Health Department

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Edmonson County Health Department

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Hart County Health Department

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