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Christian County Reports Eighteen Additional Cases

Christian County Health Department is announcing eighteen (18) additional COVID-19 cases. The newest cases are a mixture of community spread cases and cases linked to previously identified positive cases. To date, Christian County has a cumulative total of one-hundred twenty (120) cases (one-hundred ten (110) confirmed and ten (10) probable). Seventy-two (72) active cases are currently being monitored. The county has one (1) COVID-19 related death.

With sixty-four (64) of the one-hundred twenty (120) cases occurring since July 2nd the health department has maxed out its public health capacity to follow up on positive cases and contacts in a timely manner. The health department is currently seeking contact tracers to interview persons identified as household or non-household close contacts to confirmed or probable cases of COVID-19.

Symptoms of COVID-19 include: · Fever or chills · Cough · Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing · Fatigue · Muscle or body aches · Headache · New loss of taste or smell · Sore throat · Congestion or runny nose. Anyone experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 should stay home and seek medical attention.

The health department would like to remind residents that COVID-19 is still circulation in our community. The best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to the COVID-19 virus. In order to help decrease your risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19, the health department recommends that you practice social distancing while out in public areas, wear a face mask or other face covering if social distancing is not possible, practice good hand hygiene, and avoid crowded areas or large gatherings

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