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Ford County, IL Daily COVID-19 Update

Ford County Public Health Department (FCPHD) is announcing two new confirmed cases today. The individuals are males, one in his 30's and one in his 40's.

Ford County has a total of 17 confirmed cases, including one death. Three of the confirmed cases are associated with congregate living facilities. These numbers are accurate as of the release time. Public health officials continue to investigate and contact all individuals who may have had exposure to individuals that tested positive for COVID-19. Federal privacy restrictions prohibit the release of any further information.

- For zip code level information on confirmed positive COVID-19 cases, please visit the IDPH Virtual map at: <https://www.dph.illinois.gov/covid19/covid19-statistics>. Please note, data will not be shown unless a zip code has six or more confirmed cases. This is consistent with Collection, Disclosure, and Confidentiality of Health Statistics (77 Ill. Adm. Code 1005).
- For information on long term care facilities with cases of COVID-19 among residents and staff, please visit: <https://www.dph.illinois.gov/covid19/long-term-care-facility-outbreaks-covid-19>. Information provided at this link is provisional, subject to change, and updated weekly. Facilities report data to their local health departments, which in-turn report to IDPH, so lag time and discrepancies are to be expected.

COVID-19 Symptoms

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), people with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus and have commonly included fever, cough, and shortness of breath. The CDC and the Illinois Department of Public Health continue to monitor and update the list of commonly reported symptoms.

Commonly reported COVID-19 symptoms include:

- Fever
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Headache
- Muscle aches
- Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
- Abdominal discomfort
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Repeated shaking with chills
- New loss of taste or smell

People with these symptoms or combinations of symptoms may have COVID-19 and should contact their health care provider. The current list is not all inclusive. Individuals should consult a medical provider for any other symptoms that are severe or concerning. Before seeking medical treatment, it is important individuals state they have or think they have COVID-19. People should seek medical attention immediately if they have trouble breathing, persistent pain or pressure in the chest, new confusion, inability to arouse, or bluish lips or face.

Please continue to visit our website (www.fordcountyphd.org) and follow our Facebook page for additional COVID-19 resources and updates. For general questions about COVID-19, call the Illinois Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Hotline at 1(800) 889-3931 or send an email to: DPH.SICK@ILLINOIS.GOV anytime, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.