



# Pettis County

## HEALTH CENTER

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### Press Release

#### Pettis County Reports Two Additional Cases of Coronavirus in the County

Pettis County Health Center has been notified of 2 additional positive cases of COVID-19 infection in Pettis County residents bringing the total number of cases to 9. Of the nine cases to date, 2 have been discharged from isolation, 6 are recovering at home and 1 is currently hospitalized. We are working with Katy Trail Community Health to test those contacts with additional risk factors.

The Pettis County Health Center is working to identify who had direct contact with the ill individuals. Identified contacts will be placed in a 14 day self-quarantine, provided instructions on how to monitor their health and will be followed by Health Center staff twice a day to check on their health. Individuals with direct contact who develop symptoms will be referred for testing.

We understand this is a stressful time for all Pettis County residents. Please be sure you are getting your information from a reputable source such as the Pettis County Health Center website at [www.pettiscountyhealthcenter.com](http://www.pettiscountyhealthcenter.com), Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services at [www.health.mo.gov](http://www.health.mo.gov) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

We ask everyone to continue to stay home, wash their hands frequently and use hand sanitizer, avoid crowds and check on your neighbors. Wearing a mask in public is now recommended by the CDC. If you are ill with symptoms of a fever, cough or trouble breathing, please call your health care provider. Katy Trail Community Health has expanded the categories of individuals for testing. Community health care providers have been notified of the expanded categories. If you do not have a health care provider, please contact Katy Trail Community Health at 877-733-5824. Follow the instructions regarding how to be checked. Please do not walk into a clinic without calling.

We are a strong community and we will get through this pandemic together.