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To: Residents of Macoupin County  
Date: January 12, 2022

The Macoupin County Public Health Department (MCPHD) has worked endlessly under the direction of the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) since the coronavirus (COVID-19) began to evolve in December of 2019. MCPHD staff has worked diligently to stay up to date on the most current IDPH and Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidance and protocols to provide education and guidance to all Macoupin County residents and beyond. In addition to providing COVID-19 protocols and guidance to the public, MCPHD collaborated with our school districts, congregate settings, businesses, and the community to help provide COVID-19 guidance and assist in emergency preparedness.

MCPHD has been instrumental in administering over 27,000 COVID-19 vaccines to the residents of Macoupin and surrounding counties. MCPHD successfully held mass vaccination clinics, providing over 1400 COVID-19 vaccinations daily. We continue to offer COVID vaccinations daily at our 109 East Maple, Gillespie site through our drive thru clinic. Registration can be completed on our website at <https://mcphd.net/covid-19-information/>

MCPHD has also demonstrated great leadership in providing endless COVID-19 testing to the residents of Macoupin and surrounding counties starting in March of 2020 and continuing through today. We have been able to successfully continue to offer rapid antigen testing and with a partnership through the IDPH Laboratory in Springfield, PCR testing. Registration for testing can be completed on our website at <https://mcphd.net/self-registration/>

We will continue to serve the residents of Macoupin County in prevention efforts but at this time we are also asking everyone to assume individual responsibility in ensuring public safety. You should be sharing your information regarding any symptoms, positive tests, or exposure with your employer, family, friends, and others that you care about before spending time with them.

As of December 28th, all COVID-19 cases have started receiving an auto message informing them of their quarantine/isolation information. As of January 13th, all case investigations (with the exception of those in congregate settings) will be sent to the Illinois Department of Public Health Surge Center to help automate the information provided so individuals have quick access to the information.

**The Surge Center will be taking over these calls, but if you don't get a call, that doesn't mean you don't need to isolate or quarantine.** If you don't receive a call, please visit the CDC website <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/quarantine-isolation.html> or the IDPH website <https://dph.illinois.gov/covid19.html> for the most up to date guidance. We are urging you to do the right thing and follow the guidance, as the case positivity numbers have made it nearly impossible for MCPHD to reach every person affected. We will continue to provide links on Facebook and our website with information that will help guide you as well.

MCPHD will continue to assist the Surge Center in case investigation, prioritizing cases as set by IDPH. MCPHD will continue to work seamlessly with our eight Macoupin County School Districts and all congregate settings on case investigation as needed. School districts will continue to follow required exclusion guidance from the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) and IDPH.

MCPHD will **not** provide isolation or quarantine letters for results from at home testing. Under the direction of IDPH, MCPHD can only provide letters for tests performed by CLIA Waived labs, such as clinics, hospitals, doctor's offices, pharmacies, MCPHD testing sites, etc.

It is important for the safety of your family, friends, yourself and our healthcare workers that you choose to stay at home when you are sick or have had a known exposure. You do have the tools to prevent severe illness which include vaccination, boosters, masking, social distancing, handwashing, and disinfection.

If you need further assistance regarding COVID-19, please call our COVID Command Center at 217-313-5078.

Sincerely,

Macoupin County Public Health Department

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