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Press Release

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Pickaway County Public Health Advisory

The Public Health Advisory Alert System is a color-coded system designed by the Ohio Department of Health to supplement existing statewide orders through a data-driven framework to assess the degree of the virus' spread and to engage and empower individuals, businesses, communities, local governments, and others in their response and actions. Pickaway County is in a red, level 3 advisory; which consists of a very high exposure and spread, limiting activities as much as possible, and following all current health orders

Per the order issued by the State Health Director on July 9th all Pickaway County residents must wear a facial covering/mask when

- In any indoor location that is not a residence;
- When outdoors and unable to consistently maintain a distance of six feet or more from individuals who are not members of their household; or
- While waiting for, riding, driving, or operating public transportation, a taxi, a private car service, or a ride-sharing vehicle.

The order does not apply to children under the age of 10 or any other minor who cannot safely wear a face covering. The order also reflects the mask guidance in place for employees and businesses which does not require a person to wear a mask if their physician advises against it, if wearing a mask is prohibited by federal regulation, if communicating with the hearing impaired, when alone in an office or personal workspace, and other similar measures.

PCPH in conjunction with Pickaway County Sherriff's office, Pickaway County Emergency Management Agency and Pickaway County Prosecutor support this order and advise Pickaway County residents to follow the mandated guidelines presented in the order, in addition to the existing guidelines.

The complete order is available at coronavirus.ohio.gov under Public Orders