



**Delaware County Commissioners
Delaware County Board of Health**

November 16th, 2020

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Due to dramatically increasing COVID-19 infections and hospitalizations in Delaware County, and the new guidelines set forth in Indiana [Governor Holcomb's Executive Order 20-48](#), the Delaware County Board of Commissioners have adopted an updated local [Disaster Declaration 2020-19](#) that mirrors the Governor's latest orders.

In addition, the Delaware County Board of Health has adopted a new policy at their last meeting on Thursday November 12th that they will not be approving any requests for gatherings with attendees over the state restrictions.

Those restrictions are:

For "Orange" Designation: Gatherings or events where more than a total of 50 individuals are invited or expected to attend will **NOT** be approved by the Delaware County Health Department.

For "Red" Designation: Gatherings or events where more than a total of 25 individuals are invited or expected to attend will **NOT** be approved by the Delaware County Health Department.

Any events approved by the Delaware County Health Department prior to Thursday November 12th, are still allowed.

The County Board of Commissioners and Board of Health are exploring additional local restrictions and enforcement, especially if Delaware County is designated a RED county. We ask our citizens to do their part and wear masks, observe social distancing guidelines so we can slow the spread and work to bring the number of infections and hospitalizations down in our communities.

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