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5 NEW CASES OF COVID-19 IDENTIFIED IN DELAWARE COUNTY; 0 NEW DEATHS

DELAWARE COUNTY, IN- The Delaware County Health Department (DCHD) reports Thursday of 5 additional individuals within Delaware County having tested positive through lab testing for SARS-CoV-2 (the virus that causes COVID-19 infection) since the last release on 06/05/2020. This brings the latest totals to 396 confirmed cases and maintains at 42 attributed deaths.

The 5 additional cases since our last report on 6/05/20 include:

- 2 individuals over the age of 20
- 1 individual over the age of 30
- 2 individuals over the age 70

There are 2 Delaware County residents currently hospitalized. (*Additional hospitalizations from other counties may be present at IUBMH)

"With the improving weather and ongoing steps towards reopening, DCHD continues to encourage our local citizens to practice social distancing, proper hand hygiene, use of masks when in public and/or exposed to others, and overall vigilance concerning the health of themselves and their loved ones" stated DCHD Administrator, Jammie Bane. "While we are optimistic, caution is still a necessity, especially with current happenings such as protests and the start of many warm weather group activities."

Earlier this month, the Indiana State Department of Health began assuming responsibility for case investigation and contact tracing throughout Indiana. This role was previously managed by local health departments. ISDH assumed responsibility of these tasks on May 18th for Delaware County. Due to this additional level of information filtration occurring, DCHD will continue with weekly press releases concerning case totals in an effort to ensure the data being reported is accurate. The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) provides statewide updates as new information becomes available. Visit the ISDH website at in.gov/coronavirus for the most up-to-date information on COVID-19 in Indiana.

For updated local information: The Delaware County Emergency Management Agency, in collaboration with the Delaware County GIS Department, have created and are maintaining a central location for local updates. Please visit the Delaware County, Indiana Coronavirus Hub at <u>www.dcema.com</u>.

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