



# JACKSON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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## NEWS

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### THREE NEW COVID-19 POSITIVES IN JACKSON COUNTY

Jackson County Health Department was notified in the past 24 hours of three Jackson County residents confirmed to have contracted COVID-19. The individuals are as follows:

- Female - Two in their fifties;
- Male – One in his fifties.

All acquired the disease through close contact with a known case, or through transmission in the community (i.e., unable to trace back to a known source). They are being placed in isolation.

To date, there have been 293 laboratory confirmed cases in Jackson County, including ten deaths related to the disease. Ten additional individuals were released from isolation in accordance with CDC guidelines, bringing the total released to date to 231 individuals. Fifty-two active cases are currently being managed.

The Southern Illinois Region recently moved to Phase 3 in the Restore Illinois plan. Jackson County Health Department recommends that businesses and organizations follow the guidance to help reduce the risk of their employees, customers and clients of contracting COVID-19. The *“Phase 3 Guidelines for Reopening Business and Returning People to Work Safely”* can be found at [www2.illinois.gov/dceo](http://www2.illinois.gov/dceo). There are common guidelines listed for all types of businesses, plus industry specific guidance.

If you have a fever, cough, difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle aches, loss of taste or smell, nausea or diarrhea, call your health care provider for further guidance. Three providers are conducting COVID-19 testing of eligible individuals in Jackson County: Southern Illinois Healthcare (SIH) – Call 1-844-988-7800; Shawnee Health Service – Call 618-519-9200; and SIU Center for Family Medicine – Call 618-536-6621.

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