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Taney County Health Department Updates COVID-19 Numbers
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The Taney County Health Department (TCHD) is saddened to confirm the deaths of three Taney County residents due to COVID-19. The first death was a male in his 30's. The second death was a male in his 80's. The third death was a female in her 80's. The total of Taney County residents whose deaths can be attributed to COVID-19 is now 34.

TCHD continues to encourage residents to take appropriate COVID-19 precautions as we enter the fall and winter seasons. These include physical distancing, hand hygiene, staying home when sick, wearing a face covering, and disinfecting commonly touched surfaces. TCHD also highly encourages residents to get a flu vaccination, as flu season is just around the corner.

"As we approach fall and holiday seasons, prevention is of utmost importance, states Lisa Marshall, TCHD Director. "Cooler weather encourages indoor gatherings, which increases opportunities for transmission. We need our community to continue their diligence in hand hygiene, physical distancing, watching gathering sizes, staying home when sick, and wearing face coverings."

Our condolences go out to all the families who have lost loved ones due to COVID-19.

For more information contact the Taney County Health Department at 417-334-4544, visit our website at www.taneycohealth.org, or like our FaceBook, Instagram and Pinterest pages.

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