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Crisis Communication Team Press Update

As of today’s release, the Joint Crisis Communication Team (CCT) reports the following numbers:

**COVID-19 Macon County, Illinois**

- **Confirmed Cases**: 232
- **Released from Isolation**: 193
- **Home Isolation**: 14
- **Hospitalized**: 3
- **Deaths**: 22

**Gender**
- Male: 37.1%
- Female: 62.9%

**Race**
- White: 51.7%
- Black: 39.2%
- Asian: 3%
- Other: 6%

**Age Range**
- 0-9: 10
- 10-19: 10
- 20-29: 20
- 30-39: 20
- 40-49: 20
- 50-59: 10
- 60-69: 10
- 70-79: 10
- 80-89: 10
- 90-99: 10

All numbers reflect status at time of release. Demographic information reflects confirmed cases only. Deaths are included in the number of confirmed cases. All numbers displayed are provisional and are subject to change.
Due to the observance of the Independence Day holiday, the Macon County Health Department will be closed on Friday, July 3, 2020. In light of this holiday closure, today we are providing the testing numbers that we typically provide in Friday's release.

Thus far, 8,336 tests have been performed in Macon County. Since the previous release, we have had zero newly-confirmed cases of COVID-19. Therefore, our overall number is 232 confirmed COVID-19 cases in Macon County.

We encourage all community members to implement social distancing and face covering best practices to limit the spread of COVID-19. People with COVID-19 have reported a wide range of symptoms. If you experience symptoms of COVID-19 with which you are concerned, please call your primary care physician first. Do not show up at a hospital emergency room or doctor's office unless it is a true emergency.

Individuals without a primary care physician can call:

- DMH Medical Group: (217) 876-2856
- HSHS Medical Group Patient Advocate: 844-520-8897
- Crossing Healthcare: (217) 877-9117
- SIU: (217) 872-3800

For COVID-19 screening, please call one of the following:

- Crossing Healthcare: (217) 877-9117
- HSHS St. Mary’s Hospital 24/7 COVID-19 Hotline: (217) 464-2966

Anyone entering healthcare facilities should be prepared to be screened before entering.

**PSA: Leave Fireworks to the Professionals**

Fireworks-related injuries are most common on July 4th and New Year’s Eve. Fireworks can cause death and injury, including burns, contusions, lacerations, and foreign objects in the eye. Make the choice to protect yourself and your family from fireworks injuries.

- Never allow young children to play with or ignite fireworks.
- Always have an adult supervise fireworks activities.
- Avoid buying fireworks packaged in brown paper, which often means they were made for professional displays and could be dangerous for consumers.
- Make sure you, your kids, and others watch fireworks displays from a safe distance.
- Call 911 immediately if someone is injured from fireworks.

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