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Press Release

Gallatin County COVID-19 Update

As of Wednesday, July 1, 2020, at 11 a.m. Gallatin County has 11 new confirmed cases of COVID-19, for a cumulative total of 284. One case previously assigned to Gallatin County has been reassigned to another county.

There are 49 confirmed active cases and one current hospitalization. There have been a total of 234 people recovered in Gallatin County. One person has died from COVID-19 complications.

The new cases are located across Gallatin County, and are a mix of contacts to known cases, community spread and travel related.

More data can be found on Gallatin City-County Health Department's dashboard on our website here. This dashboard will be updated by 12 p.m. daily. Information on statewide cases continue to be found here.

Please note that local data on active cases may differ from the state map as the state map is only updated once daily and calculates active cases differently.

The Gallatin City-County Health Department calculates the **recovered case number** as the number of total cases minus any active cases, current hospitalizations and deaths.

Over the Fourth of July weekend, we urge you to continue taking simple precautions and act responsibly to help slow the spread of COVID-19. Staying safe is about time, space, people and place. Think about who you're inviting and their level of risk, not just for yourself but for everybody else you live with and want to see.

Maintain social distance of 6 feet or more, move the event outdoors, clean and disinfect surfaces regularly and consider wearing a face mask.

If you are going to celebrate the Fourth of July with others, please keep the groups small, and please follow the guidelines laid out by the <u>Centers for Disease Control and Intervention</u>:



- Remind guests to stay home if they are sick. Consider keeping a list of guests who attended for potential future contact tracing needs.
- Plan for social distancing. Host your gatherings outside when possible. If not, make sure the
 room or space is well-ventilated and indoor time is brief. And if you're planning activities for
 adults and/or kids, consider choosing activities where social distancing can be maintained.
- Wear face coverings when less than 6 feet apart from people or when indoors.
- Clean your hands often. Consider providing hand sanitizer to your guests, in addition to clearly marked hand washing areas.
- Limit the number of people handling or serving food. Encourage guests to bring their own food and drinks. If serving food, consider having one person serve all food to ensure multiple people aren't handling serving utensils.
- Limit contact with commonly touched surfaces or shared items. And clean and disinfect those surfaces and items between uses when feasible.

The Gallatin City-County Health Department Call Center is open seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. to answer questions about COVID-19. Reach the Call Center by phone at 406-548-0123 or email at callcenter@readygallatin.com.

The most accurate local source of information remains the GCCHD website.

