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Health Department Asks Community to Stay Home if Sick and Monitor Symptoms

Reno County, Kan.- January 14, 2022- With the surge of COVID cases in Reno County, and the increasing strain on medical facilities, the Reno County Health Department asks community members to please stay home if feeling ill. People who are mildly ill do not need to seek immediate medical attention. Rest, stay hydrated and monitor your symptoms carefully. Common symptoms of COVID include fever, cough, sore throat, respiratory symptoms, and muscle aches. Tests are also in short supply, so if you have symptoms, assume it is COVID and stay home for 5 days. If you are needing testing, check with local providers such as Walgreens, the Medicine Shoppe, or online at www.knowbeforeyougoKS.com.

If you are seriously ill or at high-risk for complications, please seek immediate medical attention. Older adults and people of any age with medical conditions like lung disease, obesity, heart disease, or diabetes are at higher risk for developing more serious complications from COVID-19 and should seek immediate care if experiencing symptoms.

Vaccines and mitigating measures such as hand washing, and social distancing are still recommended to avoid contracting COVID. The Health Department is administering vaccines during normal operating hours. Walk-ins are accepted for those age 12 and over. Appointments are required for children aged 5-11. Call 620-694-2900 and select option 6 for scheduling. The Johnson & Johnson vaccine is no longer available at the Health Department.

The Health Department is open Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 7:30am to noon, and 1 to 6pm, and Wednesday from 9am to noon and 1 to 6pm. For a ride to one of the vaccine sites, call RCAT at 620-694-2913. To view the Reno County COVID-19 dashboard, visit www.renogov.org and click on the dashboard link in the spotlight section.

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