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Pondera County COVID-19

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Pondera County COVID-19 Quarantine Update

Conrad, Mont - At this time, there are 45 active cases in Pondera County and the numbers increasing rapidly. Many of these cases are connected to social gatherings and school settings. According to Pondera County Health Department (PCHD), all cases have been recommended to self-isolate and will be released upon meeting CDC criteria. There are 110 close contacts with these cases that have been placed on quarantine and are only released from quarantine when they meet the CDC recommended protocols.

Despite these efforts, many in our community are refusing to follow their mandated quarantine orders.

These quarantine mandates are not suggestions but public health orders.

“We need to come together at this critical time, put our own needs aside, and cooperate for the safety of our community, schools, and economy.” - Nicki Sullivan, PCHD Director

If our community cannot begin to comply with these orders and work together to slow the spread of COVID-19 it is likely that the County will have to put in significant fines and penalties or a possible shutdown.

Please do your part and continue to follow the Governor’s directive by maintaining social distance, practicing proper hand hygiene, wearing a mask, and staying at home if you have any symptoms related to COVID-19. COVID-19 symptoms can include cough, fever, sore throat, fatigue, nausea, vomiting, and a new loss of taste or smell. For more information please visit the PCHD Facebook page or visit the State COVID-19 website at covid19.mt.gov.

The PCHD is available to answer your questions. Please reach out to us via the PCHD Facebook page or by phone at (406) 271-3247.