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UPDATED: COVID-19 Situation Report and Guidance

As of May 18, at 8 a.m., Dubois County Health Department confirms that 43 more positive cases of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) have been identified. This brings the total to **161 positive cases** of COVID-19 in Dubois County residents.

We are working closely with Indiana State Department of Health and local officials to ensure that close contacts of the patients are identified and monitored. Everyone who may have an exposure risk to these positives cases are being notified about potential exposures so that appropriate infection control procedures can be followed. The positive cases are in isolation.

Total Positive Cases	New Positives	Recovered*	Deaths
161	43	31	2

*A person out of isolation and reporting feeling well.

Reminder the Dubois County Health Department is only able to report positive cases of Dubois County residence as we receive the results.

The large spike in numbers is to be expected due to the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) Strike Team Events that have occurred in our county within the past week. Testing is a primary method in preventing COVID-19 from spreading in a community. Testing helps people isolate and helps slow the spread of transmission.

“Community members need to be cautious. We all need to continue to follow the guidance and safety precautions and protect ourselves and others as we move forward in the fight against this virus,” says Dr. Ted Wafart, Dubois County Health Officer.

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