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First Death from COVID-19 Confirmed for Piqua.

PIQUA — The Piqua City Health Department is reporting the first confirmed COVID-19 death within the City of Piqua health jurisdiction. The case is a 91-year-old female and is not related to a long term care facility.

As of today, the City of Piqua is reporting 11 cases of COVID-19 and one death. These cases include 8 females and 3 males with an age range of 23-91. These numbers are included in the Miami County numbers.

“At this time, our deepest condolences go out to the family that lost their loved one” said Amy Welker, Director of Health & Sanitation. “The citizens of Piqua need to remain diligent in maintaining their social distance and practicing good hygiene to prevent the spread of this virus.”

The Piqua Health Department continues to encourage the public to take the following action to reduce the spread of COVID-19:

- Stay Home
- Limit trips to the grocery
- Practice proper social distancing
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol
- Cover coughs and sneezes with your arm or your inner elbow, NOT your hands
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Stay home when you are sick, except to get medical care
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces

If a person believes they may have symptoms or have come in contact with a positive COVID-19 case, they should CALL their doctor. It is strongly discouraged to show up to your healthcare provider office or hospitals without calling first, which can risk the health of others.

For more information, visit coronavirus.ohio.gov or call ODH COVID-19 Hotline at 833-4-ASK-ODH (833-427-5634). The ODH call center is open 7 days a week from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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