



## COVID-19 Heads up

### **Everyone needs to be doing this:**

- Wash hands frequently
- Cover mouth and nose when coughing/sneezing with appropriate material (i.e. facial tissue, handkerchief)
- Utilize high standards of social distancing, wear a mask if available
- Have only one family member at a time go when making a trip to the store for essential items
- If you or an immediate family member becomes ill: call ahead before you go to ER or Dr. Office
- If you require 911 and you're having respiratory issues and/or have a COVID 19 positive household member inform the 911 operator

### **Pending test results - need to do this:**

If someone in the household is experiencing respiratory symptoms and has been tested for COVID-19 with results pending:

- Try to recall and list close contacts of the patient with the pending COVID-19 test result within the last 7-14 days, in the event of a positive result, that information is valuable
- Continue above instructions for everyone
- Sequester the individual in a separate room in the household if possible
- Avoid close personal contact
- If others in the household become symptomatic contact your health care provider

### **Positive households need to do this:**

- If someone in the household is informed of a COVID-19 positive status continue all of the above steps
- Sequester those who have had close personal contact with the patient and monitor for symptoms
- If you become symptomatic inform your healthcare provider
- Please be prepared with the patient's list of close contacts during the last 7-14 days. This information is necessary for contact tracing needs

If there are further specific questions feel free to contact Your Ripley County Health Department at 812/689-5751 or via our website messaging <http://www.ripleyhealth.com>