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More Deaths in MOV Region

Parkersburg, WV, December 23, 2020 – Five deaths have been related to COVID-19 in the last few days. Four of those are from Wood County and one from Ritchie County. The Mid-Ohio Valley Health Department would like to extend our deepest sympathy to all those that are grieving their loved ones.

COVID has caused numerous outbreaks in the region as well. Currently, thirteen long-term care facilities, two correctional facilities, one school and one daycare have COVID positive outbreaks. In addition, two healthcare facilities and six other agencies/businesses are dealing with quarantining due to the outbreak.

Numbers for today are:

	Total Positive	Active Positive	Recovered Positive	Total Probable	Active Probable	Total Deaths
Calhoun	106	32	74	16	8	0
Pleasants	238	133	100	80	43	5
Ritchie	245	71	167	54	19	7
Roane	243	65	175	13	4	4
Wirt	141	48	92	44	13	1
Wood	3279	1112	2135	1230	478	37
Total	4252	1462	2743	1437	565	54

If you plan to travel and join family for the holidays, remember to take precautions. If having any type of cold or flu-like symptoms err on the safe side and stay home. COVID is not something you want to bring to the gathering. STAY SAFE - LIMIT CONTACTS, WEAR MASKS, WASH THOSE HANDS

Mid-Ohio Valley Health Department will continue to vaccinate first responders in the next week and follow-up with second doses early January. At this time, we will not be the agency that will vaccinate the elderly, or medical professionals. We recommend checking with your physician or medical association as to where and when the vaccine will be available to you. MOVHD will continue to inform the public as we know more about vaccination roll outs for the general public.

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