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The Pennyryle District Health Department wants to take this opportunity to give a brief update regarding COVID19. The District serves Caldwell, Crittenden, Livingston, Lyon and Trigg Counties.

Currently, we want to continue to advise all citizens that we are considering COVID19 as communal spread. All persons should be taking precautions and taking the advice of Governor Beshear, Kentucky Department for Public Health and CDC guidelines seriously.

We have met regularly with our county leaders, including County Judge Executives, Emergency Managers, EMS, Hospitals and other facilities, preparing for the communal spread of this organism. All of these organizations have been involved with our response and we thank them greatly from the bottom of our hearts.

We have been assisting facilities who have been responding to COVID19. I ask all of you to take this seriously. This is affecting nearly all our lives and will for the foreseeable future.

We are assisting and working with an area Long Term Care Facility. The facility staff, Lyon County Officials, and the whole community cares deeply for every resident, employee, administration, and family members associated with Riversbend Retirement Community. I urge you to support the staff who put their duties ahead of their own needs and family. Our Community is resilient, and we are responding as fast as humanly possible to assist this facility.

We have pulled together to get additional resources from many agencies. Contrary to what many believe widespread rapid testing is not readily available. The effort made by many to secure testing materials and a laboratory which can get test results quickly is not easily obtained. We have been assisting the facility in this process. There are no therapeutics or medications to treat the Novel COVID19 virus, it is new and presents many challenges to health care providers.

I urge you all to support all responders and be patient, this is going to be an extremely tough period and we need to spend our time responding to this pandemic.

Thank you,


James Tolley

Interim Director