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Press Release
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At press time, there is a total of 266 cases of COVID-19 in the Lincoln Trail District. We are saddened to report one death in Hardin County. Additional cases were confirmed today in Marion County. The total number of cases per county is as follows: Hardin--128, LaRue--15, Marion--42, Meade--23, Nelson--48, and Washington--10. Currently, 252 cases are on home isolation or have been released from monitoring. County-level information can be found on the “COVID-19 Latest Updates” tab at ltdhd.org.

Lincoln Trail District Health Department (LTDHD) has created a COVID-19 digital dashboard that will be available on the ltdhd.org website. The purpose is to provide residents with a comprehensive snapshot of COVID-19 within the LTDHD service area. Information previously released by the health department focused primarily on the number of new COVID-19 cases. According to Lyndsey Blair, Senior Community Epidemiologist, “the newly designed dashboard provides many more details.” Residents can now view local data that displays race, age, and gender under the demographics tab. The “Epi Curve” tab can be used to monitor efforts in flattening the curve. Mrs. Blair stated, “this data is essential for measuring the extent and severity of COVID-19 and assessing the effectiveness of the public health response.” Information is also available on common symptoms, pre-existing medical conditions, average illness duration, and other data points. “Providing this data to residents equips them the knowledge to make informed decisions that will assist in protecting their families and communities against COVID-19,” Blair added.

Sara Jo Best, Public Health Director stated, “Lincoln Trail District Health Department takes pride in our ability to provide data to our communities to make informed decisions pertaining to health and safety. We also use data internally to guide our actions and prioritize our resources. We are excited to make our COVID-19 data tracking available to the public via our website. This data helps health officials, elected leaders, and community partners take actions necessary to respond to the pandemic. It will also provide valuable information in the future on how to improve our response to communicable disease, make more reliable predictions for future outbreaks, and better prepare for the next emergent event.”