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Press Release

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At press time, there is a total of 2,180 cases of COVID-19 in the Lincoln Trail District. Additional cases were confirmed today in all six counties. The total number of cases per county is as follows: Hardin--1,079, LaRue--124, Marion--209, Meade--179, Nelson--449, and Washington--140. Currently, 303 remain on home isolation and 1837 have recovered. County-level information can be found on the “COVID-19 Latest Updates” tab at www.ltdhd.org.

Lincoln Trail District Health Department (LTDHD) utilizes case investigation to identify and interview all individuals who are confirmed cases of COVID-19. Part of the investigation includes identifying, monitoring, and supporting any close contacts the primary case may have unknowingly exposed to the virus. It is critical that this process is initiated quickly to effectively break the chain of disease transmission and prevent further spread of COVID-19.

The number of unique people tested is how LTDHD calculates total cases of COVID-19 within each county. This method only counts a person once, regardless of how many times they are retested. Since March, LTDHD has completed 2,180 case investigations for individuals who tested positive for COVID-19. However, this number is only the tip of the iceberg. Each confirmed case typically has multiple close contacts that must also be contacted and monitored. As a result, thousands of close contact interviews were also completed during the same time frame.

Case investigation requires a team effort. If you are a confirmed case of COVID-19, or a close contact, expect a phone call from LTDHD. Discussions are kept confidential. This means that your personal and medical information will be kept private. Your name will not be shared with those you came in contact with, even if they ask. By simply answering your phone you can assist in mitigating the spread of COVID-19 within our communities.