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# Media Update

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## For Immediate Release

### Daily Tri-county Update COVID-19

#### Peoria, Tazewell, Woodford Counties

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Known Positive Test Results of Cases  
Residing in these Individual Counties:

	Peoria	Tazewell	Woodford	Totals
Confirmed Positive	1753	612	175	2540
Deaths	34	9	3	46

#### Status Update:

Recovered: 61.7% ( $\uparrow$  0.5%)  
Home Isolating: 34.8% ( $\downarrow$  0.4%)  
Hospitalized: 1.7% ( $\downarrow$  0.1%)

*Total number of persons reported electronically. Provisional and subject to change.  
Please note that Illinois Department of Public Health case counts may include testing facility counts  
of residents from many counties and may not reflect actual testing counts of residents from that  
county. Check local health department counts for more accurate resident testing numbers.*

#### Local Hospital Data: For all counties using local hospitals

PUI cases in ICU	Confirmed cases in ICU	Total ICU Usage for COVID-19	Total PUI/Confirmed in NON-ICU	Total Deaths reported in past 24 hours
3	12	15	34	1

*PUI are Persons Under Investigation for COVID-19*

*We are sad to report the death in Tazewell County of a male in his 80's, with underlying health conditions.*

#### LOCAL UPDATE ON HEALTH SCREENING GUIDANCE

Our medical community encourages individuals to get back on track for their regular health screenings for mammograms, colorectal cancer, lung cancer, and other age-appropriate testing. Regular child and adult immunizations are also encouraged. Our medical and hospital systems

are able and prepared to provide safe, reliable tests and care, including the most up-to-date treatment for individuals testing positive for COVID-19.

### **LOCAL UPDATE ON HYDROXYCHLOROQINE**

For medical care, local medical providers encourage individuals to discuss their COVID-19 treatment options with their providers. Medical providers know the most effective treatments, as well as ineffective treatments with drugs, such as hydroxychloroquine that have been shown to be ineffective in the treatment of COVID-19. While chloroquine, later developed into hydroxyquine, is a useful antimalarial drug that is used to treat autoimmune diseases, such as systemic lupus erythematosus and rheumatoid arthritis, it is not a treatment for COVID-19.

The COVID-19 Treatment Guidelines Panel of the National Institutes of Health **recommends against** the use of **chloroquine** or **hydroxychloroquine** for the treatment of COVID-19, except in a clinical trial.

To find local information on the Tri-county community response to COVID-19, visit  
[www.pcchd.org/COVID19](http://www.pcchd.org/COVID19)

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