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CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) IN MCPHERSON COUNTY

COVID-19 data in McPherson County can be found on the home page of mcpersoncountyks.us, under "McPherson County COVID-19 Dashboard." This data will continue to be updated Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week. Written releases like this one will be posted once a week on Thursdays, unless needed otherwise.

After assessing current new case trends, vaccination rates, and CDC and KDHE recommendations, McPherson County Health Department (MCHD) recommends the following beginning May 20, 2021:

- Individuals that have been fully vaccinated for at least 2 weeks do not need to wear masks or distance (unless in a healthcare setting like a hospital)
- Entities and businesses may continue to be more stringent in both private and public situations at their discretion

McPherson County is vaccinating anyone 12 years old and above for COVID-19. You may call MCHD at 620-241-1753, your local healthcare provider, or pharmacy for an appointment. You may also search for locations using vaccinefinder.org.

- As of June 23, 2021, according to the Kansas Immunization Registry, KSWebIZ, 16,448 doses of COVID-19 vaccine have been administered to McPherson County residents. The majority of doses administered have been Moderna (11,114), followed by Pfizer (4,673) and Johnson and Johnson/Janssen (661).
- As of June 24, 2021, according to the CDC COVID Data Tracker (<https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view>), 39.9% of McPherson County's population has been fully vaccinated. 46.7% of the population 12 years old and above are vaccinated, 50.5% of the population 18 years old and above are vaccinated, and 80% of the population 65 years old and above are vaccinated. More information can be found on their website.

KDHE and MCHD continue to mandate a 10-day quarantine for Kansans. **This quarantine does not apply if you have been fully vaccinated for at least 2 weeks and are asymptomatic.**

- Traveled on or after June 17 to Kuwait, Mongolia or Saint Martin
- Traveled on or after June 3 to Chile, Colombia, Paraguay, or Suriname
- Traveled on or after May 20 to the countries of Costa Rica or French Guiana
- Traveled on or after May 6 to the countries of Maldives or Seychelles
- Traveled on or after April 22 to the countries of Argentina or Bahrain
- Traveled on or after April 8 to the country of Uruguay
- Traveled between June 3 and June 17 to Trinidad and Tobago
- Traveled between May 6 and June 17 to India
- Attended/traveled to a mass gathering event out-of-state of 500 people or greater where individuals did not 6-foot distance and wear masks
- Traveled on a cruise ship or river cruise