

Residents and visitors to Pickaway County,

Your local Pickaway County Fire Departments do not have the ability to test you for COVID-19 (Corona Virus). Please do not show up to your local fire station asking to be tested or call 911 specifically asking to be transported to the emergency department for testing. They cannot test you and only those who meet the criteria for testing after consultation with their doctor, will be tested in emergency rooms at this time.

All Pickaway County public safety agencies are limiting access and only allowing employees inside their stations. **Persons from the public coming to the fire stations needing medical care will still be evaluated and treated in an area suitable to the patient and public safety personnel.** This is out of an abundance of caution to prevent the spread of the virus to our fire and EMS personnel. All Pickaway County Fire & EMS agencies are being proactive in their approach to limit exposure as best they can. If a 14-day quarantine is issued to our first responders, it greatly limits our ability to perform our mission. If you wish to visit any fire station, please call ahead to coordinate visit ahead of time.

If you are concerned or are experiencing symptoms, you are directed to contact your doctor per the CDC and local health department recommendations.

All Pickaway County Fire and EMS agencies are ready to respond to your emergency medical needs. We are prepared to respond and ready to care for our communities when we are needed.

Please go to the links below for additional information on what to do and where to go if you suspect you may have COVID-19.

CDC: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/steps-when-sick.html?CDC_AA_refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2F2019-ncov%2Fabout%2Fsteps-when-sick.html&fbclid=IwAR3RunSAKbUVOxwh4hfUeCaDTHwLiXAMw2tFE00DFch3tEDdBA4V54m04yg

ODH: <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/home/home/>

You can also contact the Ohio Department of Health at **1-833-4-ASK-ODH** or the Pickaway County Health Department at **740-477-9667**.