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## **DISTRICT COVID-19 UPDATES & VACCINE INFORMATION**

The Barren River District Health Department has confirmed a total of 21,460 cases, 18,041 of which have recovered. We have 227 deaths reported from COVID-19. We stand in solidarity with those affected during these difficult times. See the breakdown of numbers by county below. Please note that a decrease in numbers is due to the county of residence or case status being corrected/updated from what was previously reported.

COUNTY	RECOVERED	DEATHS	TOTAL CASES
Barren	2,481	35	2,900
Butler	781	16	969
Edmonson	548	13	651
Hart	1,103	11	1,364
Logan	1,611	40	1,906
Metcalfe	557	10	659
Simpson	1,116	14	1,346
Warren	9,844	88	11,665
Total	18,041	227	21,460

We have been authorized by the Kentucky Department of health to move forward into Phase 1b of vaccination, which includes first responders, any of at least 70 years or age, and K-12 school personnel. The Barren River District Health Department will be vaccinating individuals 70 years of age and older on Thursday at each of its eight local health departments. We hope to vaccinate more 70+ individuals next week pending availability of the vaccine.

Since this morning, our clinics have received a total of 3,779 calls regarding scheduling vaccination. We would like to ask the public to please be patient as we move through this process. All appointment slots are currently full. Appointments will come available as vaccine doses are received by the health department. We will share information on our website, social media and with local news outlets when vaccines become available. We are working diligently to ensure that everyone who wants a vaccine gets one as soon as possible.

Norton Call Center has been set up for anyone who has questions about the COVID-19 vaccine. The call center is open 24 hours a day/7 days a week and can be reached at 1-800-722-5725. In order to slow the spread of COVID-19, we must continue to follow recommendations provided by the CDC, the state, and Governor Andy Beshear. Practicing social



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distancing is the most important method for staying healthy. We urge Barren River residents to stay at home, and leave only for essential items such as groceries and medications. When possible, choose online ordering, delivery, and curbside pickup services to obtain these items.

For questions about COVID-19 visit <u>www.barrenriverhealth.org/covid-19-information</u>, or <u>https://govstatus.egov.com/kycovid19</u>.

To report non-compliance, call Kentucky's Non-Compliance Reporting Hotline at 1-833-597-2337, report online at <a href="https://secure.kentucky.gov/formservices/Labor/KYSAFER">https://secure.kentucky.gov/formservices/Labor/KYSAFER</a>.

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