



Kane County Health Department Provides Phase 5 Reopening Guidance

June 10, 2021 – The Kane County Health Department (KCHD) has provided community guidance for COVID-19 Phase 5 reopening effective Friday, June 11, 2021. The guidance follows the rest of the State of Illinois in removing capacity limits and restrictions.

“We thank our residents, staff and volunteers for getting us to this milestone,” said Kane County Health Department Interim Director Kathy Fosser. “Our community vaccination clinics, partner clinics and people taking the requested precautions have allowed us to meet Phase 5 guidelines.”

Illinois Reopening Phase 5 guidelines include vaccination of at least 50 percent of residents aged 16 and older, and a decline of COVID-19 infection rates over a 28-day period. As of June 10, 42.92% of Kane County residents have been fully vaccinated.

“Getting vaccinated is still the best way for us to combat this disease,” said Fosser. “We encourage everyone to find a vaccination appointment near them at [KaneVax.org](https://www.kanevax.org)”

On Friday, the state will eliminate all capacity limits on businesses, large-scale events, conventions, amusement parks, and all other venues. Mask requirements for vaccinated and non-vaccinated individuals continue to align with CDC guidelines. In accordance with guidance from the CDC, fully vaccinated people in Illinois can resume activities without wearing a mask except where required by federal, state, local, tribal, or territorial laws, rules, and regulations, including local business and workplace guidance.

Consistent with CDC guidance, fully vaccinated and non-vaccinated persons are required to wear a face covering in certain situations including:

- on public transportation, planes, buses, trains, and in transportation hubs such as airports and train and bus stations
- in congregate facilities such as correctional facilities and homeless shelters and
- in health care settings.

Individuals in schools and day cares must also continue to wear face coverings per guidance issued by the Illinois State Board of Education, Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, and the Illinois Department of Public Health.

Municipalities and businesses in most industries may choose to continue to implement public health mitigations as they deem appropriate, including requiring face coverings.

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Businesses and communities can learn more about Phase 5 recommended public health practices by visiting IDPH's website at

<http://dph.illinois.gov/sites/default/files/COVID19/Illinois%20Phase%205%20Guidelines.pdf>

For additional information and current updates about COVID-19, visit the KCHD website at KaneHealth.com or call the health department at 630-208-3801.

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