June 5, 2020 – The Jo Daviess County Health Department is saddened to report that a Jo Daviess County resident in their 50s has died from complications of COVID-19. It had previously been reported that this resident had tested positive for COVID-19. Jo Daviess County Health Department would like to express our deepest sympathy and condolences to the family.

It is important to remember that even though we have moved in to Phase 3 of the Restore Illinois Plan, this virus is still present in our communities. Residents must continue to take precautions to help prevent the spread of this illness, especially to those most vulnerable. People are returning to work, retail establishments have reopened, and restaurants and bars have reopened for outdoor dining. Even with limited capacity, social distancing, extra sanitization practices in place, and limits on gatherings to 10 people, we are still at risk of coming in contact with the virus as we will be in contact with more people doing our day to day activities. Please continue to wear face coverings when in public, stay home when you are sick, and wash your hands frequently.

The most up to date COVID-19 and Restore Illinois information can be found at https://dph.illinois.gov/covid19. If you have questions about local issues, please contact Health Department staff at covid19@jodaviess.org.