



## **Sangamon County Department of Public Health**

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### **Sangamon County issues orders limiting event size to mitigate spread of COVID-19 coronavirus**

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The Sangamon County Department of Public Health is issuing orders intended to limit the risk of contracting the Coronavirus (COVID-19). Effective Saturday, March 14, 2020 at 12:01 a.m., indoor events in a common enclosed area will be limited to 250 persons or less; outdoor events will be limited to 500 persons or less. These orders will be effective for 30 days and reassessed close to the termination date, April 14, 2020.

The rate at which the pandemic is growing across the state and nation makes this action prudent. This is a precautionary measure being undertaken to protect the residents as much as possible from the implications of the virus.

The Director of the Sangamon County Department of Public Health, Gail O'Neill, along with Board of Health President, Dr. Brian Miller, and medical advisors, Dr. Vidya Sundareshan and Dr. Donald Graham will be available to address questions on these new orders today, March 12, 2020 at 4 p.m. at the Department, 2833 South Grand Avenue East, Springfield, IL.

**For all COVID-19 questions, use 217-321-2606  
Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

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