

Doniphan Co adds additional death to coronavirus count

(KAIR)--An additional death, and a slight increase in active cases of COVID-19, is reported in Doniphan County.

That word is delivered in a release from the Doniphan County Health Department/Home Health, explaining to residents that coronavirus vaccine booster shots are now being made available.

According to the release, citing statistics from October 22, Doniphan County was reporting 13 active coronavirus cases, up from 11 active cases the previous week. 28 deaths were cited in Monday's release, which is a one-death increase from that noted in the October 15 statistics from the health department.

Doniphan County has had 1,321 positive virus cases since the beginning of the pandemic.

The release explains that “the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention had already approved booster shots of the Pfizer vaccine and has now approved them for Moderna and Johnson and Johnson [vaccines] as well.”

Late last week, the newly approved booster shots of all COVID-19 vaccinations were adopted by the State of Kansas.

The release notes that “also under the new guidelines, the CDC approved mix and match dosing for boosters. Therefore, eligible recipients aren't required to use a certain booster brand.”

According to the release, “an adult is eligible for a booster if they have completed two doses of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine at least six months ago and are 65 years and older; 18 and older with underlying medical conditions, live in long-term care settings, or work or live in high-risk settings.”

An adult 18 years and older who took the Johnson & Johnson vaccine is eligible for a booster if they received it over two months ago.

The Doniphan County Health Department /Home Health Walk-In Immunization Clinic is held every Wednesday morning from 9:30 to 11:30, and afternoons, from 1:30 to 4:00, every other day of the week.

Appointments are required and can be made by calling 785-985-3591.

