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PRESS RELEASE

Today is Friday, June 12th and this is a 10:00 update. Roane County currently stands at 23 positive cases while testing 3,854; 15 have recovered. We draw two conclusions from the data:

- 1) As anticipated, the Memorial Day weekend when we were lacks on practicing social distancing, created a spike in our numbers. Another contributing factor could have been the visitors to our area.
- 2) In comparison to other counties, we are still relatively low in our positive cases compared to numbers of testing.

We receive our numbers daily from the Tennessee Department of Health. We have been informed that the data matrix will be changing to reflect:

- Probable case which is a negative test by one method of testing and a positive test by another type of testing
- Or
- May not have been tested at all but has as an illness consistent with Covid-19 and may have other risk factors.

We have had no deaths due to Covid-19; however, with the new probable case definition, some deaths may now be classified as Covid-19 deaths.

Further in the next several weeks, additional mass testing is anticipated to be scheduled.

All this said, look for some changing numbers. Please practice social distancing and remain respectful of each other.

God bless Roane County!

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