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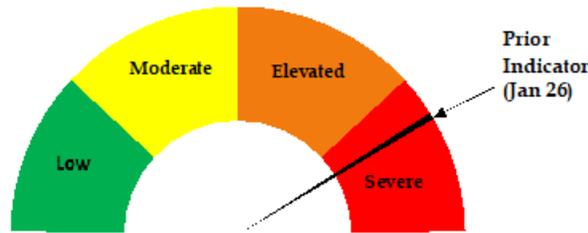
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Weekly COVID-19 Risk Update

KEARNEY – Two Rivers Public Health updated the weekly risk dial on Thursday, February 3, 2022. The risk dial remains within the red “Severe” level of risk.



**Risk Dial for COVID-19
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- 736 cases of COVID-19 were recorded in TRPHD between January 26 - February 1. This represents a 38% drop in new cases compared to the previous week. However, weekly case rates in TRPHD are still over double the previous 6 months' average.
- The overall test positivity rate is still over 20%, the first time since Nov 2020 that over 1/5th of all tests (including those at long term care facilities) have returned positive.
- As of Feb 1st, a little over 51% of the total population of TRPHD has received the minimum prescribed dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. 42% of vaccinated persons had also received booster shots, including 75% of residents aged 70+ years. The risk of hospitalization or serious illness following infection is significantly higher for unvaccinated persons.
- As of Tuesday morning, there were 4 ICU beds available in TRPHD. Med/Surg bed availability is over 40% for the first time in 4 weeks across the district.
- COVID testing is available at the Buffalo County Fairgrounds (Kearney city) Mondays & Wednesdays 9:30AM - 12:30PM. Those interested in COVID testing are required to register at <https://login.registermytime.com/tw/2rphd> for scheduling.
- TRPHD strongly urges all unvaccinated vaccine-eligible residents to avail of the COVID vaccination through their healthcare provider, pharmacy or TRPHD. For schedule of vaccination clinics, see <https://www.trphd.org/covid-19/event-calendar.html>
- For these reasons, the risk dial is unchanged from last week in the 'severe' (red) zone. The dial reflects the high number of new cases in the past week, overall test positivity rate and lowered ICU bed availability.

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