

To serve, protect, and promote a healthy community for all.



**HEALTH DEPARTMENT**  
Caring today for a healthy tomorrow

## BULLETIN BITS

KENT COUNTY COVID-19 CHURCH TASK FORCE  
[WWW.ACCESSKENT.COM/HEALTH/CORONAVIRUS](http://WWW.ACCESSKENT.COM/HEALTH/CORONAVIRUS)  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2020

### STAY THE COURSE!

As you may have heard, on Friday, October 2, 2020, the Michigan Supreme Court narrowly ruled that the Governor's Executive Orders, based on a 1945 law, do not have constitutional standing for further extension.

In the absence of the Governor's Emergency Orders, on October 5, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) issued an Emergency Order as part of the Department's duty to "prevent disease, prolong life, and promote public health" under the Michigan Public Health Code. The Emergency Order restricts gathering sizes, requires face coverings in public spaces and puts limitations on bars and other venues.

The Kent County Health Department (KCHD) stresses the importance of adhering to the guidelines set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to prevent the spread of COVID-19. KCHD is confident Kent County residents will continue to take the steps necessary to place their families, friends, and co-workers at the least possible risk for contracting COVID-19.

Do I still have to wear a face covering?

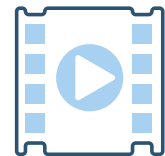
Do I still have to stand 6 feet apart from others?

**Michigan residents are required to:**  
**Wear face coverings (masks) in public spaces.**  
**Limit attendance at large gatherings.**  
**Maintain physical distancing.**



Click the image to read the MDHHS Emergency Orders.

View Dr. Adam London's message on the MI Supreme Court ruling.



### IT'S TIME TO GET YOUR FLU SHOT



The best protection from the seasonal flu virus is by getting an annual flu vaccine for yourself and your loved ones.

During COVID-19 it is even more important than ever to stay healthy and protect against preventable illnesses.

For more information, contact the Kent County Health Department at 616-632-7200.

**Children's e-books are available to help teach about COVID-19, social distancing, and masks. Stories can help kids understand the pandemic and how to navigate this new normal.**

#### These are e-books to check out:

- "Bray Bray Conquers the Coronavirus" by Ashley Maxie-Moreman.
- "Together: Living Life During COVID-19" by Kevin Poplawski.
- "What Color is Today" by Allison Stephens.

#### Books to find on YouTube read-aloud videos:

- "If You Can't Bear Hug, Air Hug" by Katie Sedmak
- "Why We Stay Home. Susie Learns About Coronavirus" by Harris, Scott, and Rodis.



Click on the image to go to listed e-books