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Vilas County Public Health Department Issues Interim Guidance for Community Events to prevent the spread of COVID-19

This interim guidance is intended for organizers and staff responsible for planning mass gatherings or large community events in Vilas County.

In the interest of public safety Vilas County Public Health Department is supporting the decisions of community and church leaders that elect to cancel or postpone events with less than 250 attendees in order to protect our citizens. According to the CDC - organizations that serve high risk populations should cancel gathering of 10 or more people: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/community-mitigation-strategy.pdf> The key points are:

- 1) Potential for attendance from older adults, individuals with underlying health care conditions, or another vulnerable group.
- 2) Potential for attendance from individuals from a wide range of geographic areas across Wisconsin, the United States, or other countries.
- 3) The setting of the event, particularly if it involves sustained interaction between attendees in close physical proximity.

This interim guidance is based on what is currently known about the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). Vilas County Public Health Department will update this interim guidance as needed and as additional information becomes available.

For additional information go to: <https://health.vilascountywi.gov/>
<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/index.htm>
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

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