

The 17th Judicial Circuit Court is taking precautions to maintain a safe and healthy court environment for all visitors and staff.

If you have the symptoms of an acute respiratory illness, and you are a prospective juror, a party or witness in a hearing, or have any business at the courthouse, please read this notice.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that individuals who have symptoms of acute respiratory illness stay home until they recover and are free of fever (100.4° F or greater using an oral thermometer), signs of a fever, and any other symptoms for at least 24 hours, without the use of fever-reducing or other symptom-altering medicines (e.g. cough suppressants). Signs of acute respiratory illness include:

- congestion
- runny nose
- cough
- sore throat
- fever
- body aches
- fatigue

Prospective jurors who have symptoms of acute respiratory illness are requested to stay home and not report for jury duty until they are free of fever (100.4° F or greater using an oral thermometer), signs of a fever, and any other symptoms for at least 24 hours, without the use of fever-reducing or other symptom-altering medicines (e.g. cough suppressants). If you are ill, do not report for duty and contact the Circuit Clerk's office (660)-422-7413 Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM to reschedule your service.

If you have a pending court hearing in the next week, and you have symptoms of acute respiratory illness, please contact your lawyer and inform your lawyer of your illness so that a continuance can be sought. If you do not have an attorney and you have symptoms of acute respiratory illness, please call the Circuit Clerk's office (660) 422-7413, Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. If possible, please have your case number, court date, and court division available when you call.

If you are a witness in a hearing, and you have symptoms of acute respiratory illness, please contact the attorney or party that subpoenaed you and inform them of your illness so that other arrangements can be made to accommodate you.