

Gilpin County Public Health Quarterly Report

January 2022-March 2022

Submitted 4-13-22 by Alisa Witt, Public Health Coordinator

- **New Public Health Coordinator, Alisa Witt** began work on February 1st, 2022
 - Alisa has a graduate degree in Public Health and Health Promotion. She has many years of experience has a Health Education Specialist and working in community health improvement.
 - Alisa previously was the President of the Gilpin County Public Health Advisory Board for 5 years. This board is volunteer group of residents with expertise in Health.
 - Alisa was formally the Health Education and P.E. teacher at Gilpin County School and has lived and volunteered in Gilpin for 7 years.

- **Covid-19** cases continue to decline. Weekly PCR testing still available on Tuesdays at the Public Health office. Free self-tests and masks are available throughout the county.
 - Follow-up phone calls are now focused on identifying those that may need treatments to lessen disease severity and connecting people to treatment.
 - Vaccine clinics no longer offered weekly in Gilpin but will be offered 1-2 times per month through the vaccine bus. Next date for vaccines here is April 29th.

- **Water Lab** reopened on April 4th. We are testing samples for bacteria and E. coli and results are emailed or phoned back within 24-48 hours.

- **Gilpin School-** met with preschool staff to discuss playground safety. Coordinated regular mulch delivery from Gilpin Public Works.
 - Will return as a guest teacher for a special program, Lifeskills. 3rd and 5th grade classes will receive 8 lessons on social-emotional learning, stress, assertiveness, and decision making. The is a partnership with the Gilpin Community Center and will be co-taught by the Youth Programs Director, Jacob Rippy.