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A planned upgrade to a state computer system will cause an outage affecting COVID-19 reporting this weekend, the Kenosha County Division of Health announced today.

The Wisconsin Electronic Disease Surveillance System (WEDSS) will undergo several enhancements, improving its contact tracing functionality, data entry and security features, while strengthening the system to accommodate any future increases in case volume.

Due to the outage, data used to provide visualizations and other statistics on the Wisconsin Department of Health Services COVID-19 webpages and the Kenosha County COVID-19 dashboard will not be updated until after the upgrade is complete.

For a more accurate representation of COVID-19 activity over the course of the upgrade, the public is encouraged to look at 7-day averages rather than daily positivity rates.

The outage will also affect contact tracing efforts over the weekend, with activity expected to return to normal on Monday.

The Division of Health appreciates the community’s patience during this period.

Together, we can and will slow the spread of the Covid-19 virus.

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