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Health Department Issues Recommendations for Halloween Safety

(October 21, 2020) - The Peabody Health Department has issued the following recommendations for Halloween safety during the COVID-19 public health emergency:

- Trick or Treating is considered a safer alternative to hosting Halloween parties which are strongly discouraged this year.
- Peabody Trick or Treating traditionally takes place on Halloween night between the hours of 5:30pm and 7:30pm.
- Parents should Trick or Treat with children whenever possible and keep groups to no larger than 10 people.
- Wear a mask, carry hand sanitizer, and stay six feet apart from others.
- If your household does not wish to participate in Trick or Treat, please shut your outdoor lights off. Trick or Treaters, please respect those houses.
- If you plan to hand out candy, provide individually wrapped grab-and-go goodie bags rather than candy from a bowl.
- Most importantly, do not go Trick or Treating or hand out candy if you are not feeling well.

For additional tips, visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html#halloween>.

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