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Health Department of Northwest Michigan COVID-19 Update

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting two new cases today, both cases have a primary residence in Emmet County. Case investigations and contact tracing are currently in progress. Many of the recent cases in northern Michigan have been related to travel and gatherings with friends and family. This reminds us how important personal responsibility is in reducing the risk of transmission of COVID-19 in our communities.

We want to remind community members that your best protection from COVID-19 is wearing a mask, keeping a distance from those outside your household and regularly washing your hands. Together, these precautions provide the most protection for you and those around you. To see more information on cloth face coverings, and the emerging research visit this [CDC webpage](#).

Dr. Meyerson, Medical Director, shared, “we must all remember that this virus has not gone away. If you must go out in public, try to maintain six feet of distance and be outdoors as much as possible. If you are in a public place and you can’t maintain that distance, wear a mask to protect yourself and those around you.”

As of 4:00pm, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting:

- Positive COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 22, Charlevoix – 26, Emmet – 28, Otsego – 106
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 12, Charlevoix – 17, Emmet – 19, Otsego – 92
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Charlevoix – 2, Emmet – 2, Otsego – 10.

The State of Michigan has reported 66,627 cases and 6,005 deaths.

Stay up to date on the latest information in the Health Department jurisdiction by [liking and following our Facebook page](#) and visiting our [COVID-19 Data Dashboard](#). To locate a testing facility, visit the [Michigan COVID-19 Test Finder website](#).

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is mandated by the Michigan Public Health Code to promote wellness, prevent disease, provide quality healthcare, address health problems of vulnerable populations, and protect the environment for the residents and visitors of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego counties. For more information, visit nwhealth.org.

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