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Health Department of Northwest Michigan COVID-19 Update

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting three new cases today with a primary residence in Antrim (1) and Emmet (2) counties. Case investigations and contact tracing are in progress, and information will be shared when it is available.

Quick access to testing, especially for those with symptoms or potential exposure is critical for identifying positive cases, in addition to conducting robust case investigations and identifying close contacts who need to be quarantined. We are actively working to increase testing available in our four-county jurisdiction and will provide an update on testing once we are able. At this time, we want to make the public aware of COVID-19 testing available in Traverse City this weekend.

- Friday, July 24th from 3-7 pm, and Saturday, July 25th from 11 am – 3 pm – Traverse City East Middle School (1776 N. Three Mile Road, enter from Three Mile).
 - No symptoms or doctors order necessary. Free testing for any Michigan resident, insurance will be billed for those that are insured. Results expected within 5 days, those with positive results will be notified by local health department of their county of residence.

"It is extremely important that we increase local COVID-19 testing for any individual, but especially for those with symptoms, risk due to travel, and possible exposure," shared Dr. Meyerson, Medical Director. "The state of Michigan slogan that reflects the overarching goal of the COVID-19 response is 'Test, Trace, and Protect' and in order to best serve our communities, we must increase local testing availability. We are hopeful that our State partners will assist us in reaching this goal."

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

- Positive COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 29, Charlevoix – 37, Emmet – 44, Otsego – 110
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 15, Charlevoix – 18, Emmet – 21, Otsego – 92
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Charlevoix – 2, Emmet – 2, Otsego – 10.

The State of Michigan has reported 75,248 cases and 6,141 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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