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## **Health Department of Northwest Michigan COVID-19 Update**

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting one new case today with a primary residence in Antrim county. Case investigation and contact tracing are in progress. We are also reporting a decrease of two cases in Charlevoix (1) and Emmet (1) counties due to address changes.

Yesterday Governor Whitmer signed [Executive Order 2020-160](#), effective July 31<sup>st</sup> at 12:01 am, and [Executive Order 2020-161](#), effective as of July 29<sup>th</sup>. [Executive Order 2020-160](#) combines requirements from several previous orders as well as included new restrictions. Highlights include:

- Indoor gathering or events cannot exceed 10 people and outside gathering, or events cannot exceed 250 people.
- Bars with more that 70% of gross receipts from sale of alcohol beverages must close indoor service but outdoor service is allowed.
- Any work that is capable of being performed remotely (i.e., without the worker leaving his or her home or place of residence) must be performed remotely.
- Refers to other Workplace Safety requirements as outlined in [Executive Order 2020-161](#).

Additionally, [Executive Order 2020-161](#) now includes COVID-19 health and safety requirements for casinos.

“This week, the Governor took action to impose additional restriction in our region,” stated Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. “There are many things about this novel virus that we don’t know but there are also many elements that we have learned along the way. One thing we do know is that the highest risk is from close person to person contact in enclosed spaces, so we ask community members to continue taking safety precautions seriously.”

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

- Positive COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 32, Charlevoix – 38, Emmet – 49, Otsego – 113
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 20, Charlevoix – 23, Emmet – 23, Otsego – 93
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Charlevoix – 2, Emmet – 2, Otsego – 10.

The State of Michigan has reported 80,887 cases and 6,191 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](http://nwhealth.org).*

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