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

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting zero new confirmed cases in our jurisdiction today. While completing recent case investigations, the following public locations were identified as potential low-risk exposure sites.

- Bay View Country Club member dining, Petoskey on August 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6 –9 pm
- Lucky’s Steakhouse, Gaylord on July 26<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 – 10 pm

Both restaurants have been contacted and are working with the health department to ensure safety of employees and visitors. If you have questions about testing or about your potential exposure, please call the health department at 1-800-432-4121.

Along with other local public health departments across the state, we are working closely with school districts to prepare for re-opening their schools in the fall. To provide support and address concerns and questions during this planning phase, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan has been hosting a weekly virtual meeting for school leadership. We have also created a COVID-19 school re-opening toolkits for school staff and families, located on our [school resource webpage](#). We know that school is a priority for parents, students, and school staff and we hope these resources help to promote health and safety while we navigate the pandemic and the return to school.

Lisa Peacock, Health Officer, shared, “Much of our work in local public health recently has been centered around supporting our local schools in their plans for re-opening. Because COVID-19 is a novel virus we don’t have any history to reassure us that things will go smoothly or to help us plan for managing transmission risk once the school population begins interacting together again. We want to thank our communities for their steadfast commitment to staying safe together, we can’t protect the public without each and every one of you.”

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

- Positive COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 37, Charlevoix – 41, Emmet – 52, Otsego – 113
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 23, Charlevoix – 27, Emmet – 25, Otsego – 96
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Charlevoix – 2, Emmet – 2, Otsego – 10.

The State of Michigan has reported 85,429 cases and 6,247 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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