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Health Department of Northwest Michigan COVID-19 Update

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting six new confirmed cases today in Emmet county. Case investigations and contact tracing are in progress, and relevant information will be shared once it is available.

Today we are reporting case investigation information for six confirmed COVID-19 cases. All six cases are being reported in our jurisdiction. The following information is from case investigations completed between August 19th – 20th.

- All six cases are primary residents
- Age:
 - 13-19 years – 1 case
 - 20-29 years – 1 case
 - 40-49 years – 3 case
 - 50-59 years – 1 case
- Symptomatic: 5 cases; Asymptomatic: 1 case
- One cases linked to travel either into or out of the area as reported during their case investigation
- Over 10 total close contacts identified, notified, and instructed to quarantine

During case investigations, the following location was identified as a potential low-risk, public exposure site.

- Kilwin's Bay View location on August 7th from 10:30 am – 10:00 pm, August 8th from 12:00 – 10:00 pm, August 9th from 12:30 – 9:30 pm, August 13th from 11:30 am – 9:30 pm, August 14th from 11:00 am – 10:00 pm, August 15th from 12:00 – 10:00 pm, August 16th and 18th from 12:00 – 9:30 pm

The business has been contacted and is working with the health department to ensure their employees and customers are safe. If you have questions about testing or about your potential exposure, please call the health department at 1-800-432-4121.

"While we have recently been sharing a large number of low-risk public exposure sites, we should all be mindful that any time we leave our home and visit a public space we are at risk of exposure to COVID-19," shared Dr. Meyerson, Medical Director. "Masking, keeping a distance from others, and regular hand washing are among our best protection against COVID-19 right now. We must all continue to work together to support our communities, local businesses, and allow for the safest return to school this fall for our students."

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

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- Positive COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 41, Charlevoix – 54, Emmet – 86, Otsego – 116
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 31, Charlevoix – 35, Emmet – 25, Otsego – 100
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Charlevoix – 2, Emmet – 2, Otsego – 11.

The State of Michigan has reported 94,697 cases and 6,368 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](#).

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