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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 Antrim (2), Charlevoix (1), Emmet (2), and Otsego (1) counties. 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 nine confirmed COVID-19 cases. All nine cases are being reported in our jurisdiction. The following information is from case investigations completed between August 20th – 21st.

- All nine cases are primary residents
- Age:
 - 13-19 years – 2 cases
 - 20-29 years – 2 cases
 - 30-39 years – 2 cases
 - 50-59 years – 2 case
 - 60-69 years – 1 case
- Symptomatic: 6 cases; Asymptomatic: 3 cases
- 1 case linked to travel either into or out of the area as reported during their case investigation
- Over 35 total close contacts identified, notified, and instructed to quarantine

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

- Pierson's Grill and Spirits, Harbor Springs on August 16th from 10 am – 4 pm
- Bob's Place Restaurant, Alanson on August 20th from 4:15 pm - 5 pm

The businesses have been contacted, and they are 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.

Next week we will be offering free, drive-thru testing in partnership with the National Guard. Testing is available to any Michigan resident, and no appointment or doctors order is necessary. Results will be available online via portal, and any individual with a positive test result will be called by the Health Department of Northwest Michigan. Testing will be available on Wednesday August 26th from 10 am – 3 pm at the Emmet County Fairgrounds, and Thursday August 27th from 10 am – 3 pm in the East Jordan Middle School parking lot (101 Maple Street).

“We have seen rising cases in both Emmet and Charlevoix counties recently and therefore feel it is especially important that anyone who feels they need a test be able to get one. For that reason, we are partnering with the Michigan National Guard to bring additional pop-up community testing sites to our

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region. We are thankful to our partners in both counties for their support in this endeavor,” stated Lisa Peacock, Health Officer.

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

- Positive COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 43, Charlevoix – 55, Emmet – 88, Otsego – 117
- 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 dashboard is delayed and will be updated at 6 pm. Please visit www.michigan.gov/coronavirus to view statewide data when it is available.

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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