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

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting 89 new confirmed cases in Antrim (13), Charlevoix (13), Emmet (39), and Otsego (24) counties. Case investigation and contact tracing are in progress, and relevant information will be shared when it is available. Due to the large volume of cases, case investigations and contract tracing, we ask anyone who is told that they tested positive for COVID-19 to self-isolate at home until the health department can reach you.

“It is true that although many people continue to experience a mild course of illness, there are many more people of all ages who show symptoms compared to what we encountered during the summer,” stated Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. “The major hospital systems in our area are reporting a rapid increase in COVID-19 inpatients like their counterparts across the state, and we are also seeing an increase in the number of deaths reported. Congregate care settings such as long-term care facilities are at risk for outbreaks as community transmission increases, which is a stark reminder that this virus continues to make its way through the community to the most vulnerable.”

Today we are reporting case investigation information for 160 confirmed COVID-19 cases. Of the 160 cases, 159 are being reported in our jurisdiction. The following information is from case investigations completed between November 9<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>.

- 158 of 160 cases are primary residents
- 1 of the 160 cases is a non-resident, who is being counted here because: (1) they are staying at a second home in our jurisdiction, (2) a long-term stay in our jurisdiction, or (3) in our jurisdiction prior to testing, and while quarantined and recovering
- 1 of the 160 cases is a non-resident being counted in their primary county and state of residence
- Age:
  - 0-12 years – 2 cases
  - 13-19 years – 10 cases
  - 20-29 years – 34 cases
  - 30-39 years - 17 cases
  - 40-49 years – 16 cases
  - 50-59 years – 34 cases
  - 60-69 years – 20 cases
  - 70-79 years – 16 cases
  - 80-89 years – 8 cases
  - 90-99 years – 3 cases
- Symptomatic: 139 cases; Asymptomatic: 21 cases
- 16 cases linked to travel either into or out of the area as reported during their case investigation
- 3 cases are currently or were hospitalized

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- Over 540 total close contacts identified, notified, and instructed to quarantine

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

- Positive COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 213, Charlevoix – 297, Emmet – 594, Otsego – 411
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 70, Charlevoix – 101, Emmet – 148, Otsego – 158
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Antrim – 1, Charlevoix – 5, Emmet – 16, Otsego – 14

The State of Michigan is reporting 229,285 cases and 7,766 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](#). To track the risk levels of COVID-19 pandemic indicators, visit the [MI Safe Start Map website](#).

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