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First Positive COVID-19 Case Confirmed in Marquette County

The Marquette County Health Department is announcing Marquette County's first confirmed positive case for COVID -19.

On March 24, 2020, Marquette County Health Department became aware of a positive COVID-19 case identified through commercial laboratory testing. The identified person is an adult male with a history of recent domestic travel through international airports. The individual has been in home isolation in accordance with current guidelines. The Marquette County Health Department will notify people who have been identified as close contacts. They will be assessed for symptoms and monitored appropriately. Marquette County Health Department will not be disclosing additional information about the individual.

The Health Department urges our community to continue to be cooperative with recommendations to keep yourself and others safe. This includes following "Stay Home, Stay Safe" orders and social distancing. People who are mildly ill with COVID-19 are able to safely recover at home. Seek medical care if your symptoms worsen by calling ahead to your provider.

COVID-19 symptoms may appear in as few as two days or as long as 14 days after exposure to the virus. Symptoms include fever, cough, and shortness of breath. To prevent the spread of COVID-19, people should wash their hands properly, avoid close contact with sick people, and disinfect commonly touched surfaces.

Please check our website at www.mqthealth.org for more information. Other reliable sources include; www.michigan.gov/coronavirus and www.cdc.gov/COVID19.

Updates will be forthcoming when more information is available.

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