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District Health Department No. 2 Reports First Presumptive Positive COVID-19 Case.

Testing through the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has identified District Health Department No 2’s (DHD2) first presumptive positive case for coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). The specimen will be sent to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for confirmatory testing.

The presumptive positive individual is a female from Iosco County. The patient is in isolation and is in stable condition at this time. DHD2 is working with those who have been in close contact with the patient. Contacts will be quarantined and monitored appropriately.

Denise Bryan, Health Officer for DHD2 states “At this time, I advise the public to abide by the Governor’s Executive Order to Stay Home and Stay Safe.” For reputable COVID-19 updates visit:

- www.cdc.gov/coronavirus
- www.michigan.gov/coronavirus
- www.dhd2.org/COVID-19

Dr. Hamed, Medical Director for DHD2 states “We are working with this individual to make sure their needs are met during this time and are wishing them a speedy recovery.”

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. If you feel well, you do not need to be tested. Mildly ill people are encouraged to stay home and contact their healthcare provider by phone for guidance.

Based upon the increase in COVID-19 cases statewide, DHD2 urges our community to continue to be cooperative with the recommendations to keep yourself and others safe. This includes following the Governor’s Executive Order 2020-21, “Stay Home, Stay
Safe”, and social distancing. This will help prevent additional spread and save essential healthcare resources for those considered high risk and who may need supportive care.