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Cattaraugus County Health Department was notified of seventeen additional confirmed cases of COVID-19 residents within Cattaraugus County. The department's active positive COVID-19 caseload is now seventy five as there are two hundred and eighty five residents who have recovered from COVID-19.

The three hundred and fifty ninth confirmed case is a male resident who resides in the southeast quadrant of the county, who has no significant travel history. He reports being in direct contact with a positive COVID-19 person but also reports being asymptomatic (no fever, no cough, no body aches, etc.). He was given a rapid test for COVID-19 on October 19th which indicated that he was positive for the virus.

The three hundred and sixtieth, sixty first, sixty second, sixty third, and sixty fourth confirmed cases are five residents (father, mother and three daughters) who resides in the southwest quadrant of the county, who have no significant travel history or being in direct contact with a positive COVID-19 person. The mother and father developed fever, cough, shortness of breath, diarrhea, and loss of taste and smell. The daughters however reported being asymptomatic (no fever, no cough, no body aches, etc.). They were given a rapid test for COVID-19 on October 20th and their test results indicated that they were positive for the virus.

The three hundred and sixty fifth confirmed case is a male resident who resides in the southeast quadrant of the county, who has no significant travel history or being in direct contact with a positive COVID-19 person. He was recently hospitalized with fever, and acute respiratory distress syndrome. He was tested for COVID-19 on October 18th and his test results on October 20th indicated that he was positive for the virus.

The three hundred and sixty sixth, sixty seventh, sixty eighth, sixty ninth, seventieth, and seventy first, confirmed cases are residents (two males and four females) who reside in the southeast quadrant of the county, who have no significant travel history. They were in direct contact with a positive COVID-19 person but report being asymptomatic (no fever, no cough, no body aches, etc.). They were tested for COVID-19 on October 18th as part of a screening process at the facility and their test results on October 20th indicated that they were positive for the virus.

The three hundred and seventy second confirmed case is a female resident who resides in the southeast quadrant of the county, who has no significant travel history or being in direct contact with a positive COVID-19 person. She was recently hospitalized with cough, pneumonia, and multiple falls. She was tested for COVID-19 on October 18th and her test results on October 20th indicated that she was positive for the virus.

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The three hundred and seventy third confirmed case is a male resident who resides in the southeast quadrant of the county, who has no significant travel history or being in direct contact with a positive COVID-19 person. He was recently hospitalized with shortness of breath. He was tested for COVID-19 on October 18th and her test results on October 20th indicated that he was positive for the virus.

The three hundred and seventy fourth confirmed case is a male resident who resides in the northeast quadrant of the county, who has no significant travel history. He reports being in direct contact with a positive COVID-19 person and recently developed, cough, congestion, chills and body aches. He was given a rapid COVID-19 test on October 20th and his test results indicated that he was positive for the virus.

The three hundred and seventy fifth confirmed case is a female resident who resides in the southwest quadrant of the county, who has no significant travel history. She reports being in direct contact with a positive COVID-19 person, but also reports being asymptomatic (no fever, no cough, no body aches, etc.). She was tested for COVID-19 on October 16th and her test results on October 20th indicated that she was positive for the virus.

The department has begun a thorough contact tracing investigation for those individuals that they have been in contact with and the places that they have visited.

We would like to reiterate that if any resident experience fever, cough, shortness of breath or whole body aches they should contact their health care provider (avoid going directly to an Urgent Care facility, or the Emergency Room before calling).

In addition, wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. This is especially important after using the bathroom, coughing, sneezing or blowing your nose.

If soap and water is not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains a minimum of 60% alcohol.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth, especially with unwashed hands.

Disinfect commonly touched surfaces with a cleaner that is approved by the EPA against COVID-19.

Finally, in an effort to determine the prevalence of COVID-19 in our community, any resident interested in getting tested, can register for a test at www.cattco.org/covid-19-test or call 716-938-9119 or 716-938-2265.

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