



The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians

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TWO NEW CASES IDENTIFIED, PRE-APPOINTMENT TESTING

November 10th, 2020

- The GTB Health Department identified two (2) new positive cases today on November 10th. The local health departments for Charlevoix and Grand Traverse County were notified. The positive individuals were both symptomatic and instructed to isolate at home. The local health department having jurisdiction is in the process of completing a full case investigation. If you've been identified as a close contact (**someone who was within 6 feet of an infected person for a cumulative of 15 minutes or more over a 24 hour period starting from 2 days before illness onset or 2 days prior to test specimen collection until the patient is isolated**) during the course of the case investigation, please expect to receive a call or text from the local health department or the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. **It is critically important you respond to the call or text in order to protect the community from further spread.**
- The GTB Health Department is pre-appointment testing all medical and dental patients that have been scheduled for in-person visits. We have instituted this for the safety of other patients in the building, the staff working in the GTB Health Department on-site, and to increase the number of patients being tested. Your pre-appointment test will be arranged at the time of scheduling and may be completed up to 24 hours prior to your scheduled appointment. Additionally, you may receive a call from medical or dental to schedule your pre-appointment test, if one has not been scheduled. Please be sure to answer your phone so we can schedule your test in a timely manner. Alternatively, you may also call the medical clinic (231-534-7256) or dental clinic (231-534-7211) to get your pre-appointment test scheduled ahead of your in-person visit.
- Below are summary statistics for the 30 positive cases to date:

30 cumulative positive cases (tested at GTB clinic)

- 15 Active cases, 15 recovered cases, 0 deaths
- 19 symptomatic, 11 asymptomatic at time of test
- 19 had known exposure within 2 weeks prior to test
- 7 had traveled within 2 weeks prior
- 0 Hospitalizations or clusters/outbreaks from those we have found and instructed to quarantine

Age

- 0-19 – 3 cases
- 20-29 yrs – 7 cases
- 30-39 yrs – 5 cases
- 40-49 yrs – 2 case



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- 50-59 yrs – 3 cases
- 60-69 yrs – 5 cases
- 70-79 yrs – 2 cases
- 80-89 yrs – 3 cases

By County of Residence

- Antrim – 0
- Benzie - 0
- Leelanau – 9
- Grand Traverse – 10
- Kalkaska – 5
- Manistee – 1
- Charlevoix – 5

***There are more active cases in the community that were tested at other facilities that are not included in this tally. Also, County of Residence count reflects confirmed cases by county of residence listed for the positive individual.

Please note, the GTB Health Department tests tribal members and families, government employees, government entities, and essential support groups to GTB when possible.

Respectfully,

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