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A Positive Case in Warren County, OHIO

The Warren County Health District announces a confirmed positive COVID-19 in Warren County.

The patient is a male in his 40's. He is currently in isolation at home. Out of respect for the patient's privacy, no additional identifying information will be released.

Warren County Health District (WCHD) will monitor the patient during his isolation. We will be in daily contact with him and as needed with our partners at the Ohio Department of Health. We are taking every precaution to stop the spread of this virus.

WCHD is identifying close contacts of this confirmed case, all of whom will be advised to selfquarantine. Close contacts may include family members, co-workers, medical providers, and others.

Social distancing is one of the most important things we can do to help slow the spread of this virus. During this difficult time, remember that we all share the same goal of decreasing illness and death from COVID19.

Please remember there are several things you can do during this time to take precautions to protect yourself and your family and friends.

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds; dry hands with a clean towel or allow to air dry.
- Use at least 60% alcohol-based hand sanitizer when soap and water are not available.
- Cover your mouth with a tissue or cough into your sleeve when coughing or sneezing.
- Avoid touching your eyes, noses, or mouth with unwashed hands.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Avoid contact with people who are sick. Stay at least 6 feet away from each other.
- Clean "high-touch" surfaces often. These include counters, tabletops, doorknobs, light switches, bathroom fixtures, toilets, phones, keyboards, desks, and tablets.

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- If you have additional questions, please call the ODH Coronavirus Disease 2019 call center at 1-833-4-ASK-ODH. The call center is open seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. including weekends.
- Please visit coronavirus.ohio.gov or cdc.gov for the most up-to-date information to stay informed of the ever-changing information.

"Preventing the spread of diseases is the cornerstone of public health, and it is what we do every day. We investigate communicable diseases on a daily basis to protect the health of our Warren County residents," Health Commissioner, Duane Stanbury stated.

The Ohio Department of Health update confirmed cases daily at 2:00 p.m.

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