News Release

COVID-19 3-26-20 Case Update

Plattsburgh, March 26, 2020. Thank you! That’s what CCHD is saying to residents who have been asked to stay home, and are doing so. CCHD also thanks those who are continuing to provide essential services at their usual worksite or by working from home. Erin Streiff, Director of Health Care Services for Clinton County Health Department noted, “We might be in a lot worse shape right now if residents were not following guidance for slowing the spread of COVID-19.” She also gave a shout-out to the individuals in quarantine and isolation that her staff has been monitoring. “They have been great to work with.” Through rigorous contact tracing, CCHD staff have identified and contacted over 100 people in the last few weeks. Those who are quarantined or in isolation at home are being monitored by CCHD throughout this period.

As of this morning, Clinton County has 10 positive cases, including one inmate at the Clinton Correctional facility. Ninety tests have come back negative. Sixty-one residents are in quarantine without symptoms and fourteen are isolated due to symptoms or positive test results. These numbers will change as contacts of the tenth case are identified. Other individuals are also self-quarantining or self-isolating based upon general recommendations for anyone who suspects they may have been exposed or are having symptoms, even if they have not been tested.

Community leaders, organizations, and businesses are continuing to work together to implement processes to protect the public, as well as, to secure and distribute needed resources such as test kits, masks, and other personal protective equipment. “This effort will continue as long as needed,” stated Eric Day, Director of Clinton County’s Office of Emergency Services. “We are working together and we will prevail.”

About the Clinton County Health Department:

The Health Department is an accredited full service department serving the residents of Clinton County. The Health Department’s Mission is to improve and protect the health, well-being and environment of the people of Clinton County. Visit our website at www.clintonhealth.org or connect with us on Facebook (@clintonhealth), Twitter (@ClintonCountyHD), and Instagram (clintoncountyhealth).

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