Media Alert

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Potential COVID-19 Exposure Notification

Plattsburgh, July 24, 2020. Clinton County Health Department (CCHD) has confirmed that three individuals who attended a large gathering in Altona, NY have tested positive for COVID-19. The party took place on the evening of Friday, July 17, 2020 on Memory Lane Way in Altona, NY.

“Anyone who attended this party has potentially been exposed to COVID-19,” stated John Kanoza, Director of Public Health in Clinton County, NY. “We are urging parents to talk to their children to see if they attended this party, as it is reported that many individuals who attended the party were in their late teens to early 20s.”

Health officials are asking anyone who attended this party to contact the Clinton County Health Department at 518-565-4840. If calling after hours (after 5:00pm and on weekends), individuals should call 518-565-3270. Anyone who attended this party should self-quarantine at home and monitor for symptoms of COVID-19. Those symptoms include fever (100.4°F), cough, chills, muscle pain, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, and/or difficulty breathing. If you develop symptoms, call your healthcare provider for further guidance. Additional information on self-quarantining may be found at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/quarantine.html.

“Residents must remain vigilant and continue to do their part to limit the spread of COVID-19. We have been fortunate to have low numbers of active cases over the past couple of months, but the risk of COVID-19 is not gone,” cautioned Mr. Kanoza. Residents can protect themselves and others by continuing to practice physical distancing (maintaining 6 feet of space between themselves and others), wearing face coverings when out in public, and frequent hand washing.

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