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## **First Positive COVID-19 Case in Lenawee County**

Adrian, MI – The Lenawee County Health Department (LCHD) has been notified of the first positive test result for COVID-19 in an adult female from Lenawee County. The individual has been self-isolating. The LCHD has contacted people who have been in close contact with the patient to assess for symptoms, provide quarantine instructions and will monitor appropriately.

Individuals that have been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19, should self-quarantine for 14 days and monitor themselves for fever, cough, and shortness of breath. COVID-19 symptoms may appear in as few as two days or as long as 14 days after exposure to the virus.

“Residents in Lenawee County can help prevent the spread of COVID-19 by staying home and following Governor Whitmer’s “Stay Home, Stay Safe” executive order”, states Martha Hall, Health Officer of the Lenawee County Health Department. “Everyone must do their part to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Your actions today will affect not only your future, but the future of your friends and family”.

To prevent the spread of COVID-19, people should:

- Wash their hands with soap frequently
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or cough or sneeze into your elbow
- Avoid touching their face
- Stay home when sick
- Avoid close contact with sick people
- Only leave your home for essential services
- Keep six feet between yourself and others when you must leave your home

People who are concerned that they may have COVID-19 should call their healthcare provider and will likely be assessed by phone to determine if they should be tested for COVID-19. If testing is indicated, they will provide you with instructions to get tested. If you do not have symptoms, you do not need to be tested.

Individuals may also call the Lenawee County Health Department at (517) 264-5226, Option 5, Monday through Friday between 8am and 4:30pm or the Michigan Department of Human Services Hotline at (888) 535-6136, 7 days a week between 8am and 5pm.

Information about the COVID-19 situation locally, and in Michigan is rapidly changing. For more information, visit [www.lenaweehealthdepartment.org](http://www.lenaweehealthdepartment.org)

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