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First Confirmed Case of COVID-19 in Menasha

Date: April 1, 2020

The Menasha Health Department received notice the morning of April 1, 2020 from the State Department of Health Services, that a person in Menasha has tested positive for COVID-19.

The resident remains home in isolation. The resident has been compliant with all requests from our health department and is following all recommendations to prevent contact with others.

Our health department is currently conducting contact investigations to identify and follow-up with any people who had close contact with the ill individual. Close contacts will be educated about self-monitoring their health status by our health department nurses. They will be required to do daily symptom and temperature checks; as well as quarantine themselves for 14 days as a precaution.

To minimize the spread of the virus, our health department is recommending people comply with [Governor Evers Safer At Home Executive Order](#), and avoid all nonessential travel. This includes both international and domestic travel.

During this time, we strongly recommend that all individuals stay at home, except for physician visits, to get food or medications, or to go outdoors for exercise. Additionally, we recommend maintaining a six-foot distance from others outside of the home at all times, and minimizing contact with individuals in the high risk group as much as possible. High risk individuals include those age 60 or older, and those with medical conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, or lung disease.

Residents should follow the guidelines from the [Wisconsin Department of Health Services](#) and the [CDC](#), to protect themselves and help slow the spread of the virus. City of Menasha COVID-19 updates are located [here](#).

Please call [2-1-1](#) with any non-emergency inquiries about COVID-19 or for referrals to local services. You can also text COVID19 to 211-211 to receive links to CDC information about the virus.

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