



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – 06/29/2020**

**Laclede County Health Department Announces  
Two New Laboratory Confirmed Positive COVID-19 Case(s)  
Case #27 & #28**

LACLEDE COUNTY, MO – The Laclede County Health Department has received notification of two (2) additional positive laboratory confirmed case(s) of COVID-19 in Laclede County. Our total is now twenty-eight (28) cases to date; eight (8) currently being monitored, and twenty (20) considered recovered. Our agency will not be releasing personal information, to protect the individuals' identity. Recommended testing of identified close contacts and quarantine/isolation steps have been taken to reduce community spread, as well as daily monitoring of all active cases.

Through case investigation(s), locations of possible exposure during infectious period are as follows:

- Case #27 – Identified as close contact to out-of-county positive case.
  - June 24<sup>th</sup> (Approximately 3:00 – 6:00 PM) – Battlefield Mall / Springfield
    - Multiple locations within the mall
  - June 24<sup>th</sup> (Approximately 6:30 – 7:30 PM) – Marshalls / Springfield
  - June 24<sup>th</sup> (Approximately 6:30 – 7:30 PM) – Ross / Springfield
    - Infectious / Symptomatic / Not wearing mask
  - June 25<sup>th</sup> (Approximately 1:00 – 1:15 PM) – Walmart / Lebanon
  - June 25<sup>th</sup> (Approximately 3:30 – 4:00 PM) – Marshalls / Osage Beach
  - June 25<sup>th</sup> (Approximately 4:00 – 4:30 PM) – Ross / Osage Beach
  - June 25<sup>th</sup> (Approximately 4:30 – 5:30 PM) – Panera Bread (Osage Beach)
    - Infectious / Symptomatic / Not wearing mask
  - June 26<sup>th</sup> (Approximately 1:00 – 1:15 PM) – Lazy Lee's Convenience Store / Lebanon
    - Infectious / Symptomatic / Not wearing mask

This individual has been identified as an employee in a local Long Term Residential Care Facility. All staff, residents and family contacts have been notified. The facility is working with Long Term Care Regulation to monitor and address this situation.

- Case #28 – Unknown positive exposure.
  - June 21<sup>st</sup> (Approximately 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM) – Lebanon First Assembly / Lebanon
  - June 21<sup>st</sup> (Approximately 12:30 – 2:30 PM) – El Sombrero / Lebanon
    - Infectious / Not Symptomatic / Not wearing mask
  - June 22<sup>nd</sup> (Approximately 12:30 – 1:30 PM) – Dairy Queen / Lebanon
    - Infectious / Not Symptomatic / Not wearing mask
  - June 23<sup>rd</sup> (Approximately 5:30 – 6:00 PM) – Walmart / Lebanon
    - Infectious / Symptomatic / Wearing mask
  - June 26<sup>th</sup> (Approximately 1:30 – 2:30 PM) – Fast Eddies Muffler Shop / Lebanon
    - Infectious / Symptomatic / Wearing mask

Employees/customers/attendees who may have been possibly exposed during these dates/timeframes should monitor for COVID-19 symptoms for 14 days from the date of exposure. Symptoms of COVID-19 illness may include: fever, cough, shortness of breath/difficulty breathing, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell. Anyone with concerns about this possible exposure, or anyone with symptoms are advised to contact their healthcare provider for further directions.

Protection for yourself and others include: proper/frequent handwashing, cleaning frequently used surfaces, staying at home when you are sick, avoiding contact with people who are sick, coughing/sneezing into tissues, wearing a mask when in public, not gathering in large groups, and maintaining a six (6) foot distance between yourself and another person.