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**Laclede County Health Department Announces
Five New Laboratory Confirmed Positive COVID-19 Case(s)
Case #42 - #46**

LACLEDE COUNTY, MO – The Laclede County Health Department has received notification of five (5) additional positive laboratory confirmed case(s) of COVID-19 in Laclede County. Our total is now forty-five (45) cases to date; twenty-five (25) currently being monitored, and twenty (20) considered recovered. **A case previously reported (Case #26) has been identified as a resident of another county, and monitoring has been transferred to that county.** 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 #42 – Exposure at Camp Niangua (Youth Camp)
 - June 22nd-26th – Camp Niangua / Niangua
 - June 26th (Approximately 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM) – Denny's / Lebanon
 - June 26th (Approximately 6:30 – 7:30 PM) – Elm Street Eatery / Lebanon
 - June 27th – Lebanon Graduation
 - June 28th – (Approximately 6:00 – 7:00 PM) – Community Baptist Church / Lebanon / Fireworks Event
 - Not Symptomatic / Not Wearing Mask
- Case #43 – Exposure at Camp Niangua (Youth Camp)
 - June 22nd-26th – Camp Niangua / Niangua
 - June 28th (Approximately 8:45 – 11:30 AM) – First Freewill Baptist Church / Lebanon
 - June 28th (Approximately 12:00 – 1:00 PM) – El Rancho / Lebanon
 - Not Symptomatic / Not Wearing Mask
- Case #44 – Potential exposure from out-of-state travel.
 - No local public exposure. Individual is/was quarantined upon returning home.
 - Symptomatic
- Case #45 – Potential exposure from out-of-state travel.
 - No local public exposure. Individual is/was quarantined upon returning home.
 - Symptomatic
- Case #46 – Potential exposure from out-of-state travel.
 - No local public exposure. Individual is/was quarantined upon returning home.
 - Symptomatic

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.