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Two New COVID-19 Cases Confirmed in Christian County

Two (2) new case of COVID-19 have been confirmed in Christian County. One (1) case is considered to be community spread due to investigators being unable to link the case to another positive case. The second case has been linked to a previously reported positive case.

Both individuals have been instructed to quarantine at home until they meet Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) criteria for release. Close contacts of each case have been identified and instructed to quarantine at home as well.

This brings Christian County's cumulative total number of COVID-19 cases to fifty-two (52) (forty-six (46) confirmed and six (6) probable), with fifteen (15) active cases being monitored.

Investigators have identified one potential exposure within the community in relation to one of the newest cases. The individual visited Harter House in Nixa from 10:00-11:00 am on Sunday, June 28th. The individual wore a mask; however, they were symptomatic and infectious at the time of the visit. Anyone who visited the location during the timeframe listed is considered to be at low risk for contracting COVID-19, but should monitor for symptoms. There is no need to self-quarantine or isolate unless symptoms develop.

Symptoms of COVID-19 include: · Fever or chills · Cough · Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing · Fatigue · Muscle or body aches · Headache · New loss of taste or smell · Sore throat · Congestion or runny

The health department continues to remind all residents to practice social distancing while out in public areas, wear a face mask or other face covering if social distancing is not possible, practice good hand hygiene, and avoid crowded areas or large gatherings. In addition, anyone experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 should stay home and seek medical attention.

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