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NH DHHS Announces Potential Community Exposures Connected to Positive Cases of COVID-19 at Multiple Establishments

Concord, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has identified potential community exposures related to multiple food and beverage establishments throughout the state.

Filotimo Casino & DraftKings Sportsbook, Manchester

At least eight people who have tested positive for COVID-19 visited Filotimo Casino & DraftKings Sportsbook, located at 1279 South Willow Street, Manchester, while potentially infectious. In partnership with Manchester Health Department, NH DHHS has determined the potential exposures occurred from Sunday, November 19th to Sunday, November 29th.

MacDougall's Tavern, Keene

At least nine people who have tested positive for COVID-19 visited MacDougall's Tavern, located at 630 Park Ave, Keene, while potentially infectious. DHHS has determined that potential community exposure occurred from Friday, November 20th to Tuesday, November 24th.

Chop Shop Pub, Seabrook

At least two people who has tested positive for COVID-19 visited Chop Shop Pub, located at 920 Lafayette Rd, Seabrook, while potentially infectious. DHHS has determined that potential community exposure occurred during a live music event during the night of November 21st.

Any individuals who went to the above named establishments during those days and times may have been exposed to COVID-19 and should seek testing. DHHS has conducted contact investigation and is notifying known close contacts directly. However, DHHS is making this public notification because there may be additional individuals at the location during those days and times who were exposed to the coronavirus.

These establishments have been reported to the New Hampshire Attorney General's Office for review of their compliance with COVID-19-related Emergency Orders.

COVID-19 can present with a wide range of symptoms including fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath, runny nose, nasal congestion, sore throat, fatigue, headache, muscle aches, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, or loss of taste or smell. Any person who develops new symptoms should stay home, limit their contact with others, immediately contact their healthcare provider and get tested for COVID-19.

Guidance for self-quarantine is available at:

https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/covid19/documents/self-quarantine-covid.pdf.

Whether or not you are experiencing symptoms, multiple testing options throughout the State are available to potentially exposed individuals. For persons without health insurance or a primary care provider, testing is available and can be scheduled by calling (603) 271-5980 or through completing the online form at business.nh.gov/DOS_COVID19Testing. Other options can be found here: www.nh.gov/covid19/resources-guidance/testing-guidance.htm.

COVID-19 continues to circulate in our communities, so all people need to protect themselves and help prevent further community spread, by:

- Stay at least 6 feet away from others, whenever possible. This is very important in preventing the spread of COVID-19.
- <u>Cover your mouth and nose with a mask</u> when around others. This helps reduce the risk of spread both by close contact and by airborne transmission.
- <u>Wash your hands</u> often with soap and water. If soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid crowded indoor spaces and ensure indoor spaces are properly ventilated by bringing in outdoor air as much as possible. In general, being outdoors and in spaces with good ventilation reduces the risk of exposure to infectious respiratory droplets.
- Stay home and isolate from others when sick.
- Routinely clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces.

For more information on COVID-19 in NH, please visit https://www.nh.gov/covid19/.

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