MEDIA RELEASE - ADVISORY

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Possible COVID-19 Exposures in Two Food Service Establishments
Reminder- Social Gatherings May Pose a Risk for Virus Transmission

The St. Clair County Health Department has been notified of possible COVID-19 exposures in two area food service establishments. Patrons of both facilities are encouraged to self-monitor for symptoms over the next 14 days and seek testing if they become symptomatic with any of the following: fatigue, cough, fever, chills, shortness of breath, muscle aches, headaches, nausea or vomiting, congestion, sore throat, diarrhea, and abdominal pain.

Facility #1- Two confirmed cases (one employee, one patron) associated with the Fraternal Order of Eagles Blue Water Aerie 3702- 2645 Howard Street, Port Huron. Patrons who visited the establishment on July 7-17, 2020 may have been exposed. Aerie Officers are working closely with health department officials. Employees who worked closely with the cases will be quarantined. The facility voluntarily closed for a thorough cleaning and is now reopened after completing all necessary protocols.

Facility #2- One confirmed case in an employee from the Anchor Point Bistro, 201 North Riverside Avenue, St. Clair. Patrons who visited the establishment on July 12, 2020 may have been exposed. Management is working closely health department officials. The facility has COVID-19 procedures in place including daily employee health screenings and regular deep cleaning. The facility has followed all required protocols. Employees who worked closely with the cases will be quarantined. Out of an abundance of caution for the safety of their employees and patrons, management has decided to voluntarily close through July 27, 2020.

Take extra precautions to avoid transmitting the virus to others. Individuals may be able to spread the disease for up to 48 hours prior to symptoms and some may remain asymptomatic.

The virus spreads through respiratory droplets between people who are in close contact with one another. This generally occurs when an infected person coughs, sneezes or talks. The best way to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and protect others includes:

- Wearing a mask or face covering when in public spaces
- Practicing social distancing - 6 feet or more away from others
- Avoiding large gatherings
- Staying home when you are sick

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Monitoring for signs and symptoms (listed above)

For more information on testing locations, visit https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus.

General questions can be directed to the St. Clair County COVID-19 Informational Hotline (810) 966-4163 or email covid19@stclaircounty.org. COVID-19 information is also available on the health department website www.scchealth.co or follow us on social media @scchdmi.

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