## **Department of Public Health**

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#### Monroe County Department of Public Health COVID-19 Update

10 a.m. on Sunday March 22, 2020

#### **Confirmed Cases**

There are 63 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Monroe County.

#### New Cases

There are 17 new confirmed cases of COVID-19 since the 4 p.m. update on Saturday March 21. The new individuals include:

- 2 Females in their 20s
- 1 Male in his 30s
- 3 Females in their 30s
- 1 Male in his 40s
- 1 Female in her 40s
- 1 Male in his 50s
- 1 Female in her 50s
- 3 Males in their 60s
- 3 Females in their 60s
- 1 Female in her 70s

#### Hospitalized patients

Of the 63 confirmed cases, 11 people are hospitalized. This is one more than reported in the 4 p.m. update on Saturday March 21.

### **Deaths related to COVID-19**

1 patient

#### **Mandatory Quarantine**

The Health Department has placed 289 people into mandatory quarantine and isolation.

#### **Additional Details**

IMPORTANT REMINDER ABOUT TESTING FOR COVID-19.

There are a limited number of COVID-19 tests available in Monroe County and not everyone with potential symptoms of COVID-19 can be tested.

For most people, the results of a test for COVID-19 will have no impact on what happens next. Everyone should already be staying home, practicing social distancing, and talking with their healthcare providers to manage any symptoms. Having a positive test result does not change this guidance.

The tests are reserved for individuals for whom test results will have an impact on what happens next. For example:

- A healthcare worker or first responder who tests negative can return to work more quickly.
- A hospitalized patient who tests negative can be removed from isolation, which saves PPE usage.
- A hospitalized patient who tests positive will receive more targeted treatment.

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Monroe County continues to ask residents to practice social distancing and follow the guidance of the Monroe County Department of Public Health. To the extent possible, everyone should stay home. Wash your hands. Call your healthcare provider if you are experiencing a fever (100.4 degrees or higher), cough, or shortness of breath.

Governor Cuomo's mandatory statewide requirement that 100% of the non-essential workforce must work from home goes into effect tonight at 8 p.m. Essential businesses are exempted. More information can be found here: <a href="https://esd.ny.gov/guidance-executive-order-2026">https://esd.ny.gov/guidance-executive-order-2026</a>.

