# **Department of Public Health**

Monroe County, New York



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Monroe County Department of Public Health COVID-19 Update

4 p.m. Monday March 23, 2020

# **Confirmed Cases**

There are 81 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Monroe County.

### **New Cases**

There is 1 new confirmed case of COVID-19 since the 10 a.m. update earlier today. The new individual is a Female in her 40s.

### **COVID-19 Testing in Monroe County**

- 1,371 test results have been received to date
- 81 positive results, 1,290 negative results

This information includes all testing by physicians, healthcare facilities, and licensed clinical laboratories in Monroe County and will be updated every day at 4 p.m.

#### Hospitalized patients

Of the 81 confirmed cases, 12 people are hospitalized. 6 of the 12 patients are in ICU.

**Deaths related to COVID-19** 

2 patients

#### **Mandatory Quarantine**

The Health Department is monitoring 395 people in mandatory quarantine and isolation, but EVERYONE should be staying at home except for essential activities.

#### 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.

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.

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Governor Cuomo's mandatory statewide requirement that 100% of the non-essential workforce must work from home is now in effect. Essential businesses are exempted. More information can be found here: <u>https://esd.ny.gov/guidance-executive-order-2026</u>.

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