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Monroe County Department of Public Health is investigating potential exposures to COVID-19 after employee at Char Steak & Lounge in Rochester tests positive

The Monroe County Department of Public Health is urging anyone who was sitting or standing at the bar in Char Steak & Lounge, 550 East Ave. in Rochester, during the following days and times to contact MCDPH by calling (585) 753-5555 or emailing COVID19@monroecounty.gov.

- **Thursday, Oct. 15 from 3 p.m. until 12 a.m.**
- **Friday, Oct. 16 from 3 p.m. until 12 a.m.**

These individuals may have been in contact with a Char employee working at the bar who later tested positive for COVID-19. Patrons who remained seated at tables or open areas of the restaurant are not at risk of exposure and do not need to call.

Individuals who were at the bar during that time should immediately self-quarantine and get tested for COVID-19. They should also be alert for symptoms of COVID-19, including fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, or diarrhea. These symptoms may occur up to 14 days after contact with the infected individual. If any of these symptoms appear, individuals should consult with their primary care provider.

For more information on how to quarantine or get tested for COVID-19, please contact the Monroe County COVID-19 Hotline at (585)753-5555 or email COVID19@monroecounty.gov.

In general, the Monroe County Department of Public Health does not comment on potential or confirmed cases of COVID-19 concerning specific individuals, businesses or institutions unless doing so is necessary to prevent or lessen a serious and imminent threat to public health.