



DHD#10 AND BENZIE-LEELANAU DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENTS REPORT POSSIBLE PUBLIC EXPOSURE AT CRYSTAL MOUNTAIN

August 20, 2020 – District Health Department #10 (DHD#10) and Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department (BLDHD) report that an individual that tested positive for COVID-19 on August 19 was present and potentially contagious at the following Crystal Mountain golf course locations in Thompsonville: Thursday, 8/13, from 10:00 AM to 3:30 PM at the Mountain Ridge course and Friday, 8/14, from 10:00 AM to 8:30 PM at both the Mountain Ridge course and the Betsie Valley course. The individual wore a mask and social distanced, so the potential exposure is considered low risk. Crystal Mountain spans across both DHD#10 (Manistee County) and BLDHD (Benzie County) jurisdictions.

If you were at the above locations on the dates listed, you should self-monitor for symptoms for 14 days from the possible exposure date. Anyone that is self-monitoring as a result should keep away from family, close contacts, and roommates as much as possible. COVID-19 symptoms include fever or chills, cough, fatigue, shortness of breath, muscle aches, sore throat, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and recent loss of taste or smell. Anyone experiencing one or more of these symptoms should immediately quarantine themselves and contact a medical provider.

“The safety of our guests, our staff, and our community is our priority. And while this exposure risk appears to be low, we won’t take chances with the health of our staff or our guests. So, we train for situations like this and adhere to wearing masks, washing and sanitizing hands frequently, and social distancing. We will continue to put safety first and will work closely with our local health departments in Manistee and Benzie counties to always be their partner and advocate for community health,” stated John Melcher, Chief Operating Officer for Crystal Mountain.

While DHD#10 and BLDHD release information about public exposure sites when it is determined through investigation that it’s not possible to identify all close contacts, it is important to remember that approximately 40% of COVID-19 cases appear to be asymptomatic. Asymptomatic cases are especially difficult because they are not sick and therefore not staying home. Additionally, contagious individuals can spread virus prior to experiencing symptoms.

For more information about COVID-19, go to: www.dhd10.org/coronavirus, www.bldhd.org/coronavirus-covid-19, www.michigan.gov/coronavirus, or www.cdc.com/coronavirus

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