



DHD#10 REPORTS A POSSIBLE PUBLIC EXPOSURE AT APPLEBEE'S IN BIG RAPIDS

October 22, 2020 – District Health Department #10 (DHD#10) was notified that an individual that tested positive for COVID-19 was on the property of Applebee's in Big Rapids and was potentially contagious October 17.

If you were at Applebee's in Big Rapids on the date listed above, 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.

While DHD#10 will release information about public exposure sites when it is determined through investigation that it's not possible to identify all close contacts, everyone needs 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: <u>www.dhd10.org/coronavirus</u>, <u>www.michigan.gov/coronavirus</u>, or <u>www.cdc.com/coronavirus</u>.

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