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Wayne County (Lyons, NY) – It is crucial for our residents to continue to practice Social Distancing guidelines, such as staying 6 feet apart and hand washing or sanitizing frequently. As part of ongoing Social Distancing practices, Wayne County Public Health is strongly recommending that if you must make an essential trip out into public to **WEAR A CLOTH MASK/FACE-COVERING** at all times.

Wayne County Public Health is partnering with all surrounding counties, and in support of the Rochester Regional Health System and the University of Rochester Health System to ask that *IF* you must make essential travel outside of your home to travel into public for essential reasons, such as work, grocery shopping, etc to wear cloth masks/face-coverings. Cloth masks can be made using CDC approved guidelines, outlined here on our Facebook post:

<https://www.facebook.com/WayneCountyPublicHealth/posts/1245416262331113> as well as on the CDC website here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html> Health care workers should continue to use surgical, protective, and n95 masks at work.

Keep in mind that wearing a cloth mask/face-covering protects others from your potential to spread illness, even before symptoms have begun. Wearing a mask/face-covering is considered a responsible and helpful part of continuing to flatten the curve.

Additionally, with nicer weather and Easter right around the corner, we cannot stress enough to continue to practice social distancing while adding the use of cloth masks, as outlined above.

Wayne County Public Health is confirming our total number of COVID-19 cases currently stands at 33. At this time, 8 of the 33 confirmed cases have resolved (recovered). We can also confirm that we have received 464 completed tests results, with 431 of those results being negative. As with any case, any possible contacts to a positive case are investigated and contacted as a priority. To protect the privacy of these individuals, no further information will be provided at this time. Wayne County Public Health is also aware of conflicting reports of our number of positive COVID-19 cases and can confirm with certainty, and with the backing of the New York State Department of Health regional office, that our total number of positive cases is 33.

At this time the 33 current Wayne County individuals with COVID-19 are (in no particular order):

- 4 Females/Males in their 20s
- 5 Females in their 30s
- 2 Male in his 40s
- 6 Females/Males in their 50s
- 7 Females/Males in their 60s
- 8 Females/Males in their 70s

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- 1 Female in her 80s

Additionally, Wayne County Public Health continues to urge residents to use this time to fill out the 2020 census. Completing the census is crucial to receiving funds for vital services such as paramedics, public health departments, health care facilities, and more.

For 24/7 GENERAL information on the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)
NYSDOH COVID-19 hotline at 1-888-364-3065

For WAYNE COUNTY SPECIFIC information on the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Please email wcph@co.wayne.ny.us

-OR-

Call Wayne County Public Health Hotline at 315-946-5749, Monday through Friday, 8am to 430pm

Other helpful and trustworthy WEBSITES include:

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)-

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/>

The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH)

<https://health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/coronavirus>