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Cattaraugus County Health Department was notified of two additional confirmed cases of COVID-19 residents within Cattaraugus County. The department's active positive COVID-19 caseload is now six as there are two hundred and seven residents who have recovered from COVID-19.

The two hundred and eighteenth confirmed case is a female resident who resides in the northeast quadrant of the county, who has no significant travel history. She is a healthcare worker who reports being in direct contact with a positive COVID-19 person. She developed fever, sore throat, body aches, and loss of taste and smell. She was tested for COVID-19 on September 23rd and her test results on September 26th indicated that she was positive for the virus.

The two hundred and nineteenth confirmed case is a female resident who resides in the southeast quadrant of the county, who has no significant travel history. She is a healthcare worker who reports being in direct contact with a positive COVID-19 person. She developed cough, congestion, runny nose, and fatigue. She was tested for COVID-19 on September 25th and her test results on September 27th indicated that she was positive for the virus.

The department has begun a thorough contact tracing investigation for those individuals that they have been in contact with and the places that they have visited.

We would like to reiterate that if any resident experience fever, cough, shortness of breath or whole body aches they should contact their health care provider (avoid going directly to an Urgent Care facility, or the Emergency Room before calling).

In addition, wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. This is especially important after using the bathroom, coughing, sneezing or blowing your nose.

If soap and water is not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains a minimum of 60% alcohol.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth, especially with unwashed hands.

Disinfect commonly touched surfaces with a cleaner that is approved by the EPA against COVID-19.

Finally, in an effort to determine the prevalence of COVID-19 in our community, any resident interested in getting tested, can register for a test at www.cattco.org/covid-19-test or call 716-938-9119 or 716-938-2265.

