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## PERSONAL HEALTH DIVISION

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**For Immediate Release**

**April 17, 2020**

### **Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department Reports First COVID-19 case in Benzie County**

The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department is reporting the first positive case of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in a Benzie County resident. The individual, an adult female, is recovering at home and has no identified exposure to COVID-19. Her close contacts are limited to household members.

Health Officer, Lisa Peacock, states “We hope this individual has a full recovery. Anytime we are not able to identify a source of exposure, it reminds us that the virus is present in the community and the safest place for everyone currently is at home, only going out for essential needs when necessary”.

We continue to carefully conduct case investigation and contact tracing with every positive test that is reported to us to assure that all close contacts are identified and instructed to quarantine and isolate.

Additional and updated information can be found on our [Website](#) and [Facebook](#) or by calling our public information line 231-882-2197. The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has a statewide hotline for COVID-19. Public health and other experts will answer health-related questions about COVID-19. The hotline will be open seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 1-888-535-6136.

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