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A Message from our Public Health Director, Deb Minor

Re: Quarantines and Isolations

Yates County Public Health has been preparing for weeks for notification of positive cases of COVID-19 in our community. Public Health staff have also been monitoring those under home isolation while they wait for their test results to be received. Once notified of a positive case, a thorough contact investigation is launched to identify close contacts. Close contacts and those with positive test results remain under mandatory isolation or quarantine until such time as they are appropriate to be released based on New York State criteria. This criteria is based on exposure date, symptom onset, symptom improvement and test results. We have had some individuals who were under quarantine but have been released as a result of meeting New York State criteria.

We understand that this is an unsettling time. All individuals deserve privacy while we work with them to manage their recovery. Positive cases of COVID-19 are expected, but together we can slow spread of the virus and protect those at highest risk for serious illness by following social distancing.

“To bring about a healthier, safer, better informed community.”

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