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Wayne County Adjusts Isolation and Quarantine Amid Surge in Positive Cases

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LYONS, NY - The substantial volume of COVID-19 case reports in recent days has exceeded the capacity of the Wayne County Public Health Department and the New York State contact tracing team to individually contact residents who have recently tested positive for COVID-19.

Wayne County Public Health announced today that it is adopting the CDC recommendations for isolation and quarantine based on what is currently known about COVID-19 and the Omicron variant of the coronavirus. As such, anyone, regardless of vaccination status, who receives a positive COVID-19 test result, either from a lab, pharmacy, medical office or an at-home test, is to self-isolate for 5 days and notify their household and close contacts. If you have no symptoms or your symptoms are resolving (without fever for 24 hours) after 5 days, individuals who test positive can leave their home but must continue to wear a well-fitting mask around others for 5 additional days. If your symptoms are not improving, or you have a fever, continue to stay home until your fever resolves and symptoms improve. Contact your healthcare provider for medical advice.

Close contacts of someone who has tested positive may be asked to self-quarantine, especially if not fully vaccinated, monitor for COVID-19 symptoms, and seek a COVID-19 test three to five days after exposure, or sooner if symptoms develop. The most common COVID-19 symptoms include runny nose, congestion, sore throat, cough, fever or loss of taste or smell.

Persons in need of an isolation or quarantine order or documentation of release to return to work or school will be able to get a copy from our website at www.wcphny.com. Documents will be available in the coming days. Updated information will also be communicated via our social media channel at <https://www.facebook.com/WayneCountyPublicHealth>.

Wayne County Public Health is requesting all residents to please continue to wear a mask, stay home when you are sick, limit social interactions with others, practice social distancing when necessary and please get vaccinated and boosted if eligible. The use of these measures are critical to protect yourself, others, and our community during this winter surge. We appreciate your anticipated cooperation and patience during this transitional period.

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