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Bandera County reports eighth case of CoViD-19

Bandera County is reporting the eighth case of CoViD-19 in a county resident. The individual is currently experiencing mild symptoms and is isolating at home. It has been determined that this case is associated with the patient having close contact with another confirmed CoViD-19 case. The recently reported seventh case has been released and is considered recovered, according to officials.

Given the increases in community spread throughout the United States, all individuals are at some risk of exposures to CoViD-19. Everyone should monitor themselves for symptoms, practice social distancing and stay home if they become sick, except to seek necessary medical care.

The Texas Department of State Health Services is supporting Bandera County in identifying any close contacts of the patient, so they can be isolated, monitored for symptoms, and quickly tested, if needed.

Minimizing exposure is especially important for people who are 65 or older or who have an underlying health condition like heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, high blood pressure or cancer. People in those groups have a higher risk of developing severe disease if they do get CoViD-19, and the safest thing for them during an outbreak will be to stay home as much as possible and minimize close contact with other people. To get ready, they should talk to their doctor about getting additional prescription medications and have enough household items and groceries on hand to stay home as needed.

The public can find up-to-date coronavirus information at dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus. If you have questions about COVID-19, call 2-1-1 option 6.