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## TIOGA COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE – OCTOBER 1, 2020

Owego, NY – Tioga County Legislative Chairwoman Sauerbrey reported the following Tioga County COVID-19 Statistics:

- **277 Confirmed Cases** – Total confirmed cases, to date.
- **265 Individuals in Mandatory Quarantine** - These are individuals who have had close contact (6 ft.) with someone who has tested positive, but is not displaying symptoms for COVID-19; or individuals that have traveled to China, Iran, Japan, South Korea, or Italy and is displaying symptoms of COVID-19; or individuals who traveled outside of New York State to one of the states identified by the Governor with a mandatory 14-day quarantine period upon return.
- **204 Recovered** – Total number of individuals who had a confirmed case of COVID-19 and are now symptom and fever-free that meet the criteria to be released from Isolation.
- **47 Active Cases**
- **26 Deaths**

*This is a snapshot of data provided to Tioga County Public Health at this point in time. Administered tests are tracked in various ways. Test results are reported.*

Tioga County Legislative Chairwoman Sauerbrey reported it has become more evident in the last ten days the uptick in COVID-19 cases in Tioga County is directly related to community spread/transmission of the virus for a variety of reasons including; more people socializing in the community and participating in larger gatherings.

Not only are we seeing more community spread of the virus, with more cases comes many more people being placed into mandatory quarantine. I am strongly encouraging people to keep their circles small! The more gatherings we attend, the more opportunity for exposure.

Practice safe social distancing by staying six feet apart, both indoors and outdoors, wear a mask both indoors and outdoors when safe social distancing cannot be maintained.

Stay home this weekend, pick up "take out" from your favorite restaurant, binge watch your favorite movies, be safe! Let's give this virus a break!

For further information, please refer to the following resources:

- **NEW!** <https://covid19.tiogacountyny.com>
- **NEW!** **Tioga County Coronavirus Response Hotline – 687-8225**
- **Facebook** @Tioga County Public Health
- **Facebook** @TiogaMH (Tioga County Department of Mental Hygiene)
- **Tioga County Public Health Voicemail Line** – 687-8623
- **NYS Coronavirus Hotline:** 888-364-3065 (for general questions or information about COVID-19)
- **Tioga County Emergency Food Hotline** – 607-354-0965

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