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A Message from Health Commissioner Dr. Boyd Hoddinott

From the Logan County Health District:

It is with extreme sadness that The Logan County Health District reports its second death as a result of COVID-19. On July 30th, an 89-year-old male passed away from complications of COVID-19. No further identifying information will be released to protect the decedent and their family at this difficult time. The Logan County Health District extends our heartfelt sympathy to the family in their time of loss.

Public health professionals have worked with family members, doctors, nurses and death care professionals who may have been in close contact, within 6 feet with this patient, for 10 minutes or more. Guidance was provided to those close contacts regarding how to monitor themselves for sickness and what to do should they become ill. If you were not contacted by health district staff, you were not identified as a person in close contact with the confirmed case.

Dr. Hoddinott comments: "Our agency is deeply saddened at the loss of another Logan County Resident due to complications of COVID-19. The family and friends of the individual are in our prayers. COVID-19 can be a very bad disease, and a second death reminds us all to protect each other by staying home from work & school when sick, wearing masks in public places and maintaining a social distance of at least 6 feet."

We are particularly concerned with residents 60 years of age or older, and those with underlying health issues who are more at risk of developing serious symptoms due to COVID-19. That's why it is more important than ever that residents do their part in protecting themselves and their families. Community spread has occurred in Logan County and we are seeing this most when large groups gather together and do not follow preventative guidelines.

Symptoms may appear **2-14 days after exposure to the virus**. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

Fever or chills * Cough * Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing * Fatigue * Muscle or body aches * Headache

New loss of taste or smell * Sore throat * Congestion or runny nose * Nausea or vomiting & Diarrhea

This list does not include all possible symptoms. CDC will continue to update this list as we learn more about COVID-19.

For more information visit www.loganhealth.org or www.coronavirus.ohio.gov or call 1-833-4-ASK-ODH or 1-833-427-5634.

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