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Essential businesses guidelines and toolkit

The Grand Traverse County Health Department has developed a toolkit for local businesses and organizations who are considered essential services. The toolkit, linked on our website, provides suggested guidelines for employers, a flowchart for potential COVID-19 exposure, and cleaning guidelines for facilities after a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 exposure (though many guidelines are relevant before any known exposure).

Health Officer, Wendy Hirschenberger shared, “We understand that the entire community is counting on our essential workers to help our county meet its basic needs during this time. We hope that these tools can assist employers with the information and guidance they need to keep their employees and those using their businesses safe. We are grateful for everyone out there that is doing their part to keep our community going, while simultaneously making sure we do everything we can to stop the spread of COVID-19.”

As of 4:00pm, the Grand Traverse County Health Department is reporting 7 cases and 0 deaths. The State of Michigan has reported 6,498 cases and 184 deaths.

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