Central Utah Public Health Department
Confirms First COVID-19 Case in Piute County

Richfield, UT May 7, 2020 – The Central Utah Public Health Department (CUPHD) has confirmed the first positive case of COVID-19 in Piute County. This brings the total number of confirmed cases in the Central Utah Health District to 27.

The individual is between the ages of 45-64 and is currently recovering at home. The individual contracted the virus from an exposure to another confirmed case outside of the Central Utah Health District. "COVID-19 is still active in our communities, with several new cases confirmed in the past week in our Health District. Although we haven't seen case counts as high as other areas in the state or country, we encourage individuals to continue to practice social distancing and other preventive measures to limit the spread of COVID-19." said Nate Selin, CUPHD's Health Officer.

Close contacts of this confirmed case are being contacted and will be advised to self-quarantine, and CUPHD staff will actively monitor these individuals for symptoms and refer those who become symptomatic to a testing location.

CUPHD continues to encourage testing for all individuals who are symptomatic for COVID-19. These symptoms include fever, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, muscle aches and pain, sore throat, chills, and loss of sense of smell or taste. If you have any of the symptoms of COVID-19, CUPHD encourages you to contact a health professional and get a referral to a testing site. You may also contact the COVID-19 hotlines at 1-800-456-7707 or 844-442-5224 to be referred for testing.

The most up-to-date information can be found at coronavirus.utah.gov or centralutahpublichealth.org.

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