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TIOGA COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE – SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

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

- **222 Confirmed Cases** – Total confirmed cases, to date.
- **61 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.
- **193 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.
- **4 Active Cases**
- **25 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 Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced **two additional states—Alaska and Montana**—meet the metrics to qualify for New York State's COVID-19 travel advisory. **No areas have been removed.** The advisory requires individuals who have traveled to New York from areas with significant community spread to quarantine for 14 days.

In addition, the Governor announced new state guidance for agritourism businesses as New York State enters the fall season. ***The businesses, which include corn mazes, pick-your-own fruit and vegetable operations, hayrides and haunted houses, are considered low-risk outdoor arts and entertainment and are permitted to operate*** under [New York's NY Forward guidance](#).

Corn Mazes - permitted consistent with Low Risk Outdoor Arts and Entertainment guidance and the following conditions:

- Reduced capacity
- Face coverings required
- Social distance maintained between individuals/parties

Hayrides - permitted consistent with Public Transportation guidance and the following conditions:

- Mandatory face coverings
- Social distance required between individuals/parties
- Frequently touched surfaces, such as handrails, cleaned and sanitized between rides

Pick-Your-Own Fruit/Vegetables Operations - permitted consistent with Low Risk Outdoor Arts and Entertainment guidance and the following conditions:

- Reduced capacity
- Face coverings required
- Social distance maintained between individuals/parties.

Haunted Houses - permitted consistent with Low Risk Indoor Arts and Entertainment guidance and the following conditions:

- Reduced capacity
- Face coverings required
- Social distance maintained between individuals/parties

Petting zoos are not permitted.

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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