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Butler Borough Confirms First Two Cases of COVID-19

The Borough of Butler Health Department, in conjunction with the New Jersey Department of Health, has confirmed the first two cases of COVID-19 (coronavirus) in Butler Borough. As of March 13, 69 cases of COVID-19 have been confirmed in New Jersey and 1,629 cases have been identified in the United States.

Both individuals are isolated and recovering, and Butler Borough health officials are following all appropriate NJ Department of Health and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention protocols in conducting efficient and comprehensive follow up.

Currently, there is no vaccine for COVID-19. The Butler Borough Health Department reminds all residents to take the following simple precautions to protect themselves and others from respiratory illness:

- Stay home if you are sick.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- If soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol content.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash. If you do not have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your sleeve.
- Limit close contact with individuals who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Avoid handshakes and try an elbow bump instead.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces and objects, using manufacturer's directions.

While the risk of infection to the general public remains low, residents showing symptoms of COVID-19 must contact their healthcare provider. Symptoms include fever of 100.4F, cough and shortness of breath. For additional information on COVID-19 resources, visit:

NJ Department of Health:
www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/ncov.shtml

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:
www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/summary.html

Butler Borough:
www.butlerborough.com

NJPIES Call Center:
1-800-222-1222 or 1-800-962-1253 (non-NJ cell phones)

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