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Re: Notification of Positive COVID-19 Case in South Quad Residence Hall

Environment, Health & Safety (EHS) was notified on 11/12/2020 that four residents in South Quad Residence Hall residing on the third floor of Hunt House, fourth floor of Taylor House, sixth floor of Gomberg House, and seventh floor of Huber House tested positive for COVID-19. The affected persons residing in Hunt House, Taylor House, and Huber House have been relocated from the building and their last dates in South Quad were respectively 11/11/2020, 11/9/2020, and 11/12/2020. The affected person residing in Gomberg House had moved from the building before they were infectious to others and their last date in South Quad was 11/4/2020. Spaces where the cases were present have been cleaned/disinfected or have been isolated.

Public health community notification is to proactively make the U-M community aware of positive cases on campus and potential exposures. We are following our protocol for sharing publicly about potential exposures to infectious diseases, like COVID-19, mumps, and Norovirus. EHS working in conjunction with the health department has conducted a risk assessment to determine who may have been in close contact¹ with the infected individual and has provided specific instructions to those identified if quarantine is required. **If you were not directly contacted by an EHS contact tracer, there is no increased risk of exposure and there is no need to quarantine or isolate.** Residents and employees should continue to adhere to the guidance below.

- Wear a face covering or mask.
- Practice physical distancing by spacing yourself at least six feet away from others.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Continue to monitor for [symptoms of COVID-19](#) using the [ResponsiBLUE Daily Symptom Tracker](#)

If you are a student and are sick or have questions related to COVID-19 call [University Health Service](#) (UHS) at 734-764-8320. UHS does provide testing for COVID-19. Be sure to follow the guidance of your healthcare provider and local health department.

If you are an employee and are sick or have questions related to COVID-19, call [Occupational Health Services](#) at 734-764-8021. The OHS COVID-19 Call Center is available Monday - Friday 7:00 am – 5:00 pm and Saturday 7:00am – 12:00pm. Employees calling outside of normal business hours can leave a message and OHS will follow up within 24 hours.

¹ Close Contact is defined as any of the following even if you or the other person wore a mask: being less than 6 feet apart for 15 minutes or more (regardless of mask use or indoor/outdoor setting), if you were coughed on or sneezed on, hugging or kissing, sharing of utensils or drinking glasses, or are a roommate, intimate partner, or caregiver.

We want to reassure everyone that we take your health and safety seriously. Previous public health community notices can be found on the link below:

<https://campusblueprint.umich.edu/dashboard/dashboard-community-notices>

Additional resources regarding COVID-19 can be found on the following websites:

Campus Maize and BluePrint: <https://campusblueprint.umich.edu/>

Washtenaw County Health Department: <https://www.washtenaw.org/3095/COVID-19>

Centers for Disease Control: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

U-M Environment, Health & Safety: <https://ehs.umich.edu/2020/03/24/ehs-covid-19-information/>

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact EHS at EHS-Covid-19-Reporting@umich.edu.