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TIOGA COUNTY

COVID-19 UPDATE - JANUARY 11, 2021

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

- **2,058 Confirmed Cases –** Total confirmed cases, to date.
- **479 Individuals in Mandatory Quarantine -** These are individuals who have had close contact with someone who has tested positive, but is not displaying symptoms for COVID-19; or individuals who traveled outside of New York State.
- **1,700 Recovered** Total number of individuals who had a confirmed case of COVID-19 and are now symptom free that meet the criteria to be released from isolation.
- 294 Active Cases
- 64 Deaths

This data is a snapshot of data provided by Tioga County Public Health. Tests are administered via various agencies and as well as processed by many laboratories. Test results are reported upon our receipt.

Family and small social gatherings are a leading cause of community spread at this time.

Tioga County Public Health released the following update today.

Tioga County COVID-19 Vaccination Update for January 11, 2021

Tioga County Public Health Department is preparing for Phase 1B of New York State's COVID-19 Vaccination Program. Our department saw a huge influx of phone calls starting on Saturday, January 9th snowballing through to today from the public seeking information regarding receiving their COVID-19 vaccine. We are currently awaiting further clarification from New York State regarding specifics for the 1B eligible population group, as well as details regarding vaccine availability.

Our first vaccination clinic for Phase 1A is set for this Wednesday, January 13th and all appointments have been filled. Forthcoming clinics will follow the same protocol, with an appointment needed, which can be scheduled online once we are apprised of vaccine availability.

"Phase 1B expands our efforts to a larger portion of our population. It will take weeks to fully vaccinate this phase. We will continue to add more clinics as we receive additional vaccine doses from the State, but **please be patient**. The vaccine will help protect our families and community; however, it will take time. Continue practicing ongoing protocols – social distancing, wear masks, if sick stay home and call your doctor," stated Lisa McCafferty, Public Health Director.

For those eligible for the vaccine in group 1B, such as teachers and education workers, first responders, law enforcement, and people 75 and older, please go to https://covid19vaccine.health.ny.gov for more information.

Future COVID-19 vaccination clinic information and registration will be posted on the Tioga County COVID-19 website (covid19.tiogacountyny.com) and on Facebook @ Tioga County Public Health. We will also share any additional locations where the vaccination can be obtained within Tioga County once that information is released.

For further information, please refer to the following resources:

- County Reporting: https://covid19.tiogacountyny.com
- 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: Dial 2-1-1
- New York State Guidance: https://forward.ny.gov/
- COVID-19 Vaccination Facts: https://covid19vaccine.health.ny.gov