



# MADISON COUNTY DEPARTMENT *of* HEALTH

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**Madison County Recognizes growing concern over rising positive case numbers**

**Wampsville, NY** – Madison County Health Department would like to recognize the growing number of positive COVID-19 test cases in the Village of Chittenango. Some of those positive cases are from The Grand Rehabilitation and Nursing in Chittenango, NY.

Madison County recognizes that residents and people with family members in the Nursing Facility may be concerned when they see the growing numbers over the past few days. Please know that the Madison County Health Department is working closely with the New York State Health Department, who regulates nursing homes, regarding the positive cases within the facility. We are working hard to make sure measures are in place to limit exposure for the staff and residents of the facility.. There is limited risk to the surrounding community.

Nursing home residents have at a greater risk of getting more serious symptoms from COVID-19. We all need to do our part to help protect these individuals. That is why visitation has been suspended in facilities like The Grand. Please continue to stay home, do not go out unless you have to for essential goods. If you have to go out please maintain 6 feet of distance away from others, and wear a cloth face covering when you are out in public especially when you are unable to maintain social distancing such as when in a store. Please remember to wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, or use hand sanitizer before you touch your face. These guidelines are for all of our protection to stop the spread of COVID-19 in our community.

For more information please visit <https://www.madisoncounty.ny.gov/2479/Coronavirus-COVID-19> or call the Madison County non-medical COVID-19 Hotline at 315-366-2770.

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