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**UPDATED: COVID-19 Situation Report and Guidance**

Indiana Department of Health announced March 22 the first positive case of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in Dubois County.

All preliminary close contacts of the patient had been IDENTIFIED and NOTIFIED by the Dubois County Health Department (DCHD) by end of day March 22. At this time if you have not been notified by the DCHD, then you have not been identified as a close contact. The following categories are a definition of close contact:

1. Living in the same household while the person was symptomatic
2. Caring for a person with COVID-19 while the person was symptomatic.
3. Being within 6 feet of a person for about 10 minutes or longer while the person was symptomatic
4. Being in direct contact with respiratory secretions from a person with COVID-19 while the person was symptomatic (e.g., being coughed on, kissing, sharing utensils, etc.)

We cannot stress enough the importance for all ages, the young and old, to do their part. In order to protect yourself, your families, and fellow community members, we urge you to take this seriously. **STAY HOME, PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING and GOOD HYGIENE** as directed by our governor, Eric J. Holcomb.