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Results negative on one recent COVID-19 test in Ingham County, Results pending on second test

LANSING, Mich. – A person in Ingham County has tested negative for COVID-19. The person had recently traveled and had respiratory symptoms. A second person was tested today and results on that test are pending.

People who are tested are symptomatic and isolated from others until results of the test are received. Testing criteria from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has recently changed and is much more liberal regarding meeting criteria, allowing many more people to be tested.

“I encourage preparation, not panic at this time,” said Ingham County Health Officer Linda S. Vail. “I ask the community for its help in taking precautions to prevent the spread of novel coronavirus and urge people to get their information and advice from reputable sources such as a health care provider or the health department.”

To prevent the spread of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), people should wash their hands, stay home when sick, avoid close contact with sick people, and disinfect commonly touched surfaces.

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