Media Release

Cluster of new cases linked to boating trip

An investigation by CK Public Health has revealed that 12 new COVID-19 cases in Chatham-Kent are linked to a boating trip involving multiple households. This trip was outside of Chatham-Kent and was several days in duration. CK Public Health is isolating these cases and tracing their contacts, of which there is a very large number.

“While we are in Stage 3, members of the community need to be reminded that we are still in a pandemic, and the potential for rapid spread of COVID-19 is very real,” says Dr. David Colby, Medical Officer of Health.

“Social circles are a maximum of 10 people for good reason; with everyone else we must physically distance.”

While spending time outdoors, please ensure that you physically distance (2 metres) from others, stay home when you are unwell, not exceed the gathering limits (50 indoors and 100 outdoors) and use 70% alcohol hand sanitizer frequently. Please be mindful and respect the space of other social circles.

To see further information and resources on stopping the spread of COVID-19 in the community, please visit our website.

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