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GILA COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH CONFIRMS FOURTH POSITIVE CASE OF COVID-19 IN THE TOWN OF PAYSON

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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PUBLIC INFORMATION

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Globe, AZ — The Gila County Public Health Department has confirmed our fourth positive case of COVID-19 in the Town of Payson; the sixth total case in Gila County. The case is a Town of Payson resident, male, in his 40s. Local public health disease investigators are currently investigating the case and have begun reaching out to close contacts.

- **CDC recommends wearing cloth face coverings in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain (e.g., grocery stores and pharmacies)**
- **COVID-19 is widespread in Arizona with cases now in all 15 counties.**
- **The Gila County Call Center is now open M-F 8-5. Call 928-402-8888 for information, resources and guidance.**
- **COVID-19 Hotline call 2-1-1 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. each day of the week**

The best way to prevent COVID-19 and other respiratory diseases is to:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

Sincerely,

Michael O'Driscoll, Director
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