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**Statement from Health Department on COVID-19 cluster at Fenn Street post office**

PITTSFIELD, Mass. (Oct. 15, 2021) – The City of Pittsfield Health Department would like to inform Pittsfield residents that the city’s Contact Tracing Team and Health Department have been notified of four lab confirmed cases of COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) in employees of the United States Postal Office Location 212 Fenn St., with exposure dates of Sept. 28, 2021 to the present.

Our local contact tracing team and Health department have made many attempts to work with this organization, USPS location 212 Fenn St., to identify those who have had close contact with the cases. We have been unsuccessful due to the lack of cooperation and information from the United States Postal Office. Due to this lack of cooperation, the Health Department believes it is necessary to notify the public. The risk of exposure from individuals present at the post office on these dates is no greater than the risk of contracting the virus in the general community. However, it is important to be aware that the USPS location 212 Fenn St. is not providing requested information to the city’s contact tracing team. The lack of cooperation and information poses a risk to the community. Collaboration between workplaces and the city’s contact tracing team is crucial in slowing transmission.

We understand that this may create unease in our community. Please know that we have been working closely with the Massachusetts Department of Health, and the Health Department and contact tracing team will continue to seek cooperation from the post office, as it is our duty in preventing the spread of COVID-19. This notice is to make the public aware to use all the CDC recommended guidance when visiting the post office and interacting with the employees.

For more information or questions, please contact the Pittsfield Health Department at 413-499-9411.

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