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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**COVID 19 Update**  
**Otsego County Department of Health**  
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14 cases reported today  
16 hospitalized

We continue to see a high number of cases reported per day. Many of the cases are related to community spread such as small household gatherings, community events & bars. Anywhere you are gathering without a mask and in close proximity to others puts you at increased risk for illness. If you develop symptoms self-isolate and stay home.

Current COVID numbers:

- 1657 total confirmed cases
- 135 active cases
- 16 hospitalized
- 10 deaths
- 769 probable and confirmed cases linked to SUNY Oneonta
- 71 confirmed cases linked to Hartwick College

**STAY HOME**

**STOP THE SPREAD**

**SAVE LIVES**