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RESOLUTION

From the Chebeague Island Board of Selectmen

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The Town of Chebeague Island is following State and Federal guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) to help reduce the spread of the coronavirus. We ask that all individuals, public entities and businesses follow CDC guidance as well.

What should I do?

Wash your hands frequently especially when returning home. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.

When outside your home, practice **social distancing**, maintaining a **distance of 6 feet from any other individual**. We also encourage people to go outside by themselves for fresh air and exercise.

Shelter-in-Place: Stay at home as much as you can to avoid contact with other members of the community. For anyone returning to Chebeague after travel and/or after proximity to large groups, **please shelter-in-place for 14 days**.

For our summer residents, please consider the risk you would expose our community to by coming here. Our community has an aging population that is already difficult to care for, and our resources are stretched. We don't have the ability to help care for you if you get sick. You will have to go to the mainland. It would be a great help to us if you stayed where you are right now. We appreciate you, and we look forward to seeing you when the pandemic passes.

Travel to and from the mainland **only for essential reasons**. We need to protect our local essential services (access to food, health care, fuel, etc.), and "flatten the curve". Each trip to/from the mainland increases the potential for exposure. Across the world the definition of essential has changed as infection spreads. We can protect ourselves by being stringent with how we each define what our essential needs are. **Please stay home as much as you can.**

If you must travel, ferry commuters must follow all the guidelines of the Chebeague Transportation Company and Casco Bay Lines to prevent the spread of the coronavirus while traveling to and from the island. Once on island

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commuters must follow the CDC's coronavirus guidelines, especially **social distancing** at all times.

Any individual from the mainland who suspects that he/she may have come in contact with someone with the coronavirus or is not feeling well should immediately shelter in place (do not travel to Chebeague) and call your medical provider.

Any individual on the island who suspects that he/she may have come in contact with someone with the coronavirus or is not feeling well should immediately shelter in place and contact your medical provider for further instructions.

As you all know, Chebeague Transportation Company (CTC) has announced that they will not transport any suspected or emergency 911 COVID-19 patients. If you are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, stay at home and call your medical provider for instructions. If you have to go to the mainland, you can travel on Casco Bay Lines. Wait until all other passengers have boarded and let them know you have symptoms. It is important to follow the Casco Bay Lines staff instructions and those of your medical provider.

If you have an emergency situation, please call 911. The Dispatch personnel will ask a series of questions and determine if Chebeague Fire / Rescue should be called. Our Rescue team will take it from there. A suspected COVID-19 patient will not be transported on CTC, but rest assured that our trained staff will get you where you need to go. All other emergency 911 patients will be transported as usual on CTC.

Assistance: We recognize these recommendations require hardships. There are a number of state and federal programs that remain available and are being designed specifically to provide assistance for hardships experienced as a result of the coronavirus. We will continue to update information about the resources available on our website.