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Statement from Essex County Health Department of First COVID-19 Fatality

It is with great sadness that today we must announce the first death of an Essex County resident due to complications related to COVID-19. The individual was a resident of Essex Center in Elizabethtown. We offer our heartfelt condolences to the family and loved ones, and the healthcare workers who helped care for this individual.

The Essex County Health Department is working closely with the facility and the New York State Department of Health to continue to ensure all proper protocols are in place to maintain a safe environment for residents and staff.

The Health Department reminds all Essex County residents to continue to do your part to help slow the spread of COVID-19 by wearing a face covering, stay at least six feet apart from other people and wash your hands frequently.

Essex County Health Department:
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