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Confirmed cases of Legionnaires’ disease still being reported

Hendersonville, N.C. (October 1, 2019) – Confirmed cases of Legionnaires’ disease continue to be reported. As of Tuesday, October 1, at 12:30 p.m., there are 33 confirmed cases of Legionnaires’ disease in Henderson County. The case count is updated by 2:00 p.m. on the website at https://www.hendersoncountync.gov/health/page/legionnaires-disease.

The North Carolina Division of Public Health is asking that anyone who attended the NC Mountain State Fair in Fletcher, between September 6-15, even if they did not become ill, to take a survey. The purpose is to help investigators understand the outbreak and help prevent similar outbreaks in the future.

Answers are confidential, and the information will be used for public health purposes only. The survey should take less than 5 minutes to complete. If multiple people in a household attended the fair, each person should complete a survey. If someone cannot answer the survey questions, then someone else can answer on their behalf. Start a new survey for each person at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/dhhs_survey.

For questions about this survey, the investigation, or to report possible cases, call the Public Health Hotline at (828) 694-4040 or contact the NCDHHS Division of Public Health at (919) 733-3419.

Anyone who attended the fair and is sick with symptoms of Legionnaires’ disease, see your health care provider. For questions about Legionnaires’ disease, call the Public Health Hotline at (828) 694-4040 or visit HendersonCountyNC.gov/health.

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