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### **Dallas County Reports Potential for Local Transmission of Monkeypox at Club Dallas**

**DALLAS (July 7, 2022)** – Dallas County Health and Human Services (DCHHS) has received notification of an out-of-State MSM visitor with confirmed monkeypox who had multiple sexual encounters at Club Dallas’s sauna between June 22 and June 25, while the traveler was infectious. Persons who visited Club Dallas during these dates are advised to monitor themselves for possible monkeypox signs and seek medical attention if they develop symptoms of monkeypox.

Dallas County has previously reported four monkeypox cases among county residents. All four of those cases are local residents who have self-identified as men who have sex with other men (MSM) and reported a history of international travel.

Anyone, regardless of sexual orientation, can spread monkeypox through contact with body fluids, monkeypox sores, or shared items (such as clothing and bedding) that have been contaminated with fluids or sores of a person with monkeypox. Monkeypox virus can also spread between people through respiratory droplets typically in a close setting, such as people living in the same household or in a healthcare setting. Persons with monkeypox may develop symptoms such as a fever, swollen lymph nodes and general body aches before developing a rash.

Nationally, many monkeypox cases are occurring within sexual networks. People who visited Club Dallas from June 22 to June 25 and who are at high risk for monkeypox exposure—including men who have sex with men, people who use social media applications to find sex partners, and those who have had skin to skin contact with people with sores or other symptoms of monkeypox—should be aware of their risk and seek medical attention if they develop symptoms of monkeypox.

For more information, visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/poxvirus/monkeypox/index.html>

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