

What does it mean when an **Outbreak** vs. **Public Exposure** is announced?

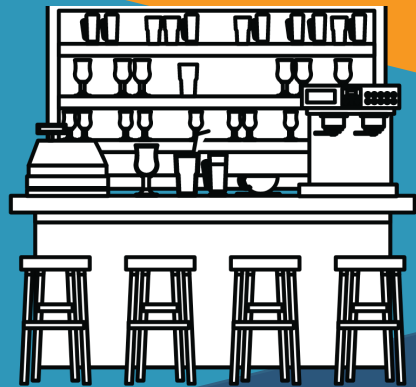


Outbreak

COVID-19 outbreaks are declared by a NH Medical Health Officer when there are **multiple cases in a location, where there is evidence that COVID-19 spread in that setting** (such as a workplace, other facility setting, or health care facility).

Public Exposure

A public exposure (alert) is issued when public health officials are **unable to ensure they can identify and directly contact everybody who may have been exposed** to a potentially infectious case of COVID-19 in a public setting where they may have been in close contact.



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