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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Thank you!

I just wanted to encourage you all and say Thank you for being a reasonable voice during this COVID miscommunication era! Thank you for leaving the choice up to individuals to wear a face mask in our county! (As it should be) Stay strong against the propaganda and continue to look at the research!

Proud to live in Ravalli County!

~Tami Van Kirk

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TABLE. (Continued) Characteristics of symptomatic adults ≥ 18 years who were outpatients in 11 academic health care facilities and who reported positive and negative SARS-CoV-2 test results (N = 314)* — United States, July 1–29, 2020

Characteristic	No. (%)		P-value
	Case-patients (n = 154)	Control participants (n = 160)	
Previous close contact with a person with known COVID-19 (missing = 1)			
No	89 (57.8)	136 (85.5)	<0.01
Yes	65 (42.2)	23 (14.5)	
Relationship to close contact with known COVID-19 (n = 88)			
Family	33 (50.8)	5 (21.7)	<0.01
Friend	9 (13.8)	4 (17.4)	
Work colleague	11 (16.9)	6 (26.1)	
Other**	6 (9.2)	8 (34.8)	
Multiple	6 (9.2)	0 (0.0)	
Reported use of cloth face covering or mask 14 days before illness onset (missing = 2)			
Never	6 (3.9)	5 (3.1)	0.86
Rarely	6 (3.9)	6 (3.8)	
Sometimes	11 (7.2)	7 (4.4)	
Often	22 (14.4)	23 (14.5)	
Always	108 (70.6)	118 (74.2)	

* Respondents who completed the interview 14–23 days after their test date. Five participants had significant missingness for exposure questions and were removed from the analysis. Patients were randomly sampled from 11 academic health care systems that are part of the Influenza Vaccine Effectiveness in the Community Network sites (Baystate Medical Center, Springfield, Massachusetts; Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, Massachusetts; University of Colorado of Medicine, Aurora, Colorado; Hennepin County Medical Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Intermountain Healthcare, Salt Lake City, Utah; Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center, Columbus, Ohio; Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Nashville, Tennessee; John Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland; Stanford University Medical Center, Palo Alto, California; University of Washington Medical Center, Seattle, Washington). Participating states include California, Colorado, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, North Carolina, Ohio, Tennessee, Utah, and Washington.

† Other race includes responses of Native American/Alaska Native, Asian, Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander, and other; these were combined because of small sample sizes.

‡ Reported at least one of the following underlying chronic medical conditions: cardiac condition, hypertension, asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, immunodeficiency, psychiatric condition, diabetes, or obesity.

§ Community exposure questions asked were "In the 14 days before feeling ill about how often did you:" with options of "shop for items (groceries, prescription home goods, clothing, etc.)" (missing = 1); "have people visit you inside your home or go inside someone else's home where there were more than 10 people" (missing = 1); "have people visit you inside your home or go inside someone else's home where there were 10 people or less"; "go to church or a religious gathering/worship" (missing = 1); "go to a restaurant (dine-in, any area designated by the restaurant including patio seating)" (missing = 1); "go to a bar or coffee shop (including drive-through)" (missing = 2); "use public transportation (bus, subway, streetcar, train, etc.)" (missing = 1); "go to an office setting (other than for healthcare purposes)" (missing = 1); "go to a gym or fitness center" (missing = 1); and "go to a salon or barber (e.g., hair salon, nail salon, etc.)" (missing = 1). Response options were coded 1 versus at least once in the 14 days prior to illness onset. Some participants had missing data for exposure questions.

** Other includes patients of health care workers (9), patron of a restaurant (1), spouse of employee (1), day care teacher (1), member of a religious congregation (1), and unspecified (1).