

Notice to people who spent time in bars and après-ski venues in the Zillertal from March 8<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>

In the Zillertal, 32 positive coronavirus tests are currently known. Many of them are related to restaurant and accommodation businesses. All cases were investigated by the health authorities immediately after they became known. While it is possible to reliably trace potential contact persons at the affected hotels in the valley on the basis of existing employee and guest lists, this is not the case for bars and après-ski establishments. In the course of the follow-up and contact person investigations as well as feedback from the population, another person - a German citizen - was identified who worked in a bar in the Zillertal and tested positive in Germany after her return.

"We are doing everything to clarify the contacts and connections in the best possible way. We also are contacting all other employees who worked in tourism establishments and have meanwhile returned to their home countries - even though the situation is very complex," informs BH Michael Brandl.

The health authorities call on all persons who spent the week of March 8th to 15th in bars and après-ski venues in the Zillertal to pay particular attention to their state of health and to contact their health authorities if they have symptoms. The period was chosen on the basis of the medical assessment of the health authorities, as it is precisely during this time that an infection with the coronavirus cannot be ruled out. This currently applies in particular to persons who spent time in the following bars and establishments during the period mentioned:

#### **Mayrhofen:**

- „Brück'n Stadl“
- „Scotland Yard Pub“
- Hotel Strass - „Arena Club“
- Restaurant „Steakhouse“
- Cafe/Bar „Happy End“

#### **Gerlos:**

- Après-Ski „Skihütte“
- „Seppi's Gerlos“

#### **Zell am Ziller:**

- „Zellerstuben“ – „Hili Bar“

#### **Aschau-Kaltenbach**

- Bergrestaurant „Marendalm“

In addition, employees of three accommodation facilities in the municipalities of Mayrhofen and Gerlos mentioned above were affected, namely the Hotel "Mannlicher" (Mayrhofen), the Hotel "Gaspingerhof" (Gerlos) and the guesthouse "Milchbar" (Gerlos). These establishments immediately informed all guests and employees on their own initiative in accordance with the requirements of the health authorities. Further feedback is no longer necessary.

In addition, the Schwaz district administration has also set up its own hotline, which is available to all those who have questions. The hotline can be reached at +43 (0) 5242 69 31 58 80.

The health authorities point out in this context that there is a legal obligation for owners of restaurants and bars to report diseases, including coronavirus, in the case of notifiable diseases. In the last few days, certain connections on the part of the health authorities could only be clarified after feedback from the population and subsequent follow-up by the health authorities. Neither have the foreign health authorities reported information to the Tyrolean authorities. The province of Tyrol specifically points out that local owners who fail to report a notifiable disease are threatened with a charge under the Epidemics Act and in this connection are fined up to 2,810 euros or, in the case of uncollectability, imprisonment for up to six weeks.