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**CAMDEN, NJ** – There has been an unconfirmed case of Legionella Pneumonia affecting a City employee. It is unknown at this point as to where or when the individual potentially contracted the undetermined illness. In the interest of public health and safety, the City has been working closely with the Camden County Health Office to monitor the ongoing situation. In accordance with the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Camden County Health Office has not required the closure of the building to be taken at this time.

Although the diagnosis is unconfirmed and action not required, the City of Camden has decided to take proactive measures by removing all staff and redirecting City programing from the location. The City has advised adjacent tenants of the situation. The City of Camden has also taken the initiative to conduct full testing of the facilities by a CDC certified laboratory. The location will remain closed until those results come back.

Residents can check the City website for further information and updates. Those who may have questions about ongoing programs can contact the Department of Human Services at 856-757-7644 or humanservices@ci.camden.nj.us

For more information about Legionella Pneumonia, individuals can visit the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website at <a href="http://www.cdc.gov">http://www.cdc.gov</a>

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