

COVID-19: When Choir Practice Goes Viral



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SARS-CoV-2 is highly transmissible. The possibility of superemitters, who release more aerosol particles than others, combined with potential high-shedding activities (e.g., choir practice) could lead to superspreading events.

Choir Members & Practice Description



61 members at 3/10 practice

69

Median age



2.5-hour long practice



6 - 12 in
Distance between members

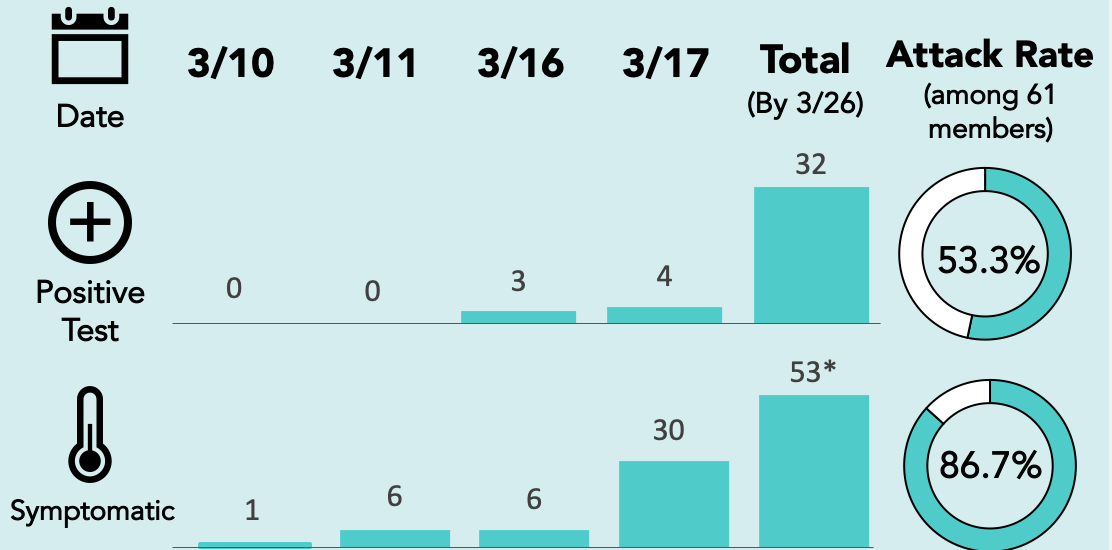


Included shared food & close contact

3 days

Median time to symptom development

Timeline of Events



* 3 of the symptomatic patients were hospitalized, 2 of these patients died. All had 2+ underlying health conditions.

These data support limiting face-to-face contact and group gatherings, as well as practicing both physical distancing and wearing cloth face coverings in public settings.

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