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## HUMBOLDT COUNTY REPORTS 957 TOTAL CONFIRMATIONS, 479 ACTIVE CASES

WINNEMUCCA, Nev.—Humboldt County has been notified of 20 more positive cases of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), raising the county’s total to 957.

The Fort McDermitt Paiute Shoshone Tribe reports 193 positive cases. In all, Fort McDermitt has completed 2,731 tests, 182 people have recovered, one person has died, and the tribe has 10 active cases.

Based on available information, close contacts of the newest Humboldt County cases are being identified or have been notified and are following self-isolation procedures to prevent community spread of the virus.

Brief summary information of Humboldt County’s latest cases follows:

Case #	Gender	Age Range	Contact	Status
957	Woman	60s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
956	Male	Teen	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
955	Man	50s	Investigation complete	Recovered
954	Woman	30s	Investigation complete	Recovered
953	Woman	40s	Investigation complete	Recovered
952	Woman	50s	Investigation complete	Recovered
951	Woman	40s	Investigation complete	Recovered
950	Woman	Unknown	Investigation complete	Recovered
949	Woman	50s	Investigation complete	Recovered
948	Woman	Unknown	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
947	Woman	30s	Investigation complete	Recovered
946	Male	Teen	Investigation complete	Recovered
945	Female	Teen	Investigation complete	Recovered
944	Female	Teen	Investigation complete	Recovered
943	Male	Teen	Investigation complete	Recovered
942	Male	Teen	Investigation complete	Recovered
941	Male	Teen	Investigation complete	Recovered
940	Male	Teen	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating

Case #	Gender	Age Range	Contact	Status
939	Male	Teen	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
938	Male	Teen	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating

Of the previous 937 cases, 467 have recovered, 455 are self-isolating, four are hospitalized locally, and 11 have died; Humboldt County has 479 active cases.

Monday, January 11, Governor Steve Sisolak updated the state’s priority schedule for COVID-19 vaccinations.

Previously the top priority under the general population was residents age 75 and older. Monday, the governor lowered the age on that priority group to 70 while creating a "parallel lanes" structure that calls for essential frontline workers and high-risk populations to be vaccinated around the same time, provided vaccine supplies arrive as expected.

In the general population, ages 70 and older would receive the vaccine first, ages 65 to 69 years would be next in line, and ages 64 to 16 years with pre-existing conditions would follow.

Individuals with disabilities, Nevada's homeless population, healthy adults ages 16-64, and Nevada Department of Correction inmates would be next in priority.

Humboldt County Health Officer Charles Stringham, MD, said local healthcare and government offices have been inundated with phone calls from those who wish to be vaccinated.

“That is very exciting,” he said, “because vaccination is the way we solve this pandemic collectively and the way to keep people healthy and safe individually.”

Still, the doctor asked that people not call about vaccine allocations. “We don’t have that information yet,” he said, “but when we do, we will share the specifics through local media, social media, healthcare offices, retail businesses and more.”

For more information, Humboldt County has shared a [press release](#) detailing local vaccination efforts; the [State of Nevada’s vaccination playbook](#) includes guidelines for rolling out the vaccine statewide; and the [“parallel lanes” structure](#) provides information on the updated priority structure.

To prevent the spread of COVID-19 in Humboldt County:

- Stay home to limit exposure, and wear a facial covering if going out in public is necessary.
- Maintain 6 feet of distance from other people at all times.
- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid visiting sick people or those who are self-isolating.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue, and throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Self-isolate if they have had a known exposure, or if they are awaiting COVID-19 test results.
- Stay informed. The COVID-19 situation is changing frequently. Up-to-date information is available on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) [website](#).

COVID-19 testing locations in Humboldt County include:

- **Humboldt General Hospital Screening Clinic** - Offers drive-thru screening for asymptomatic persons from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed from noon to 1 p.m. for lunch), and by-appointment screening with a provider for symptomatic persons from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed from noon to 1 p.m. for lunch; call 775-623-5222, ext. 1379 to schedule an appointment). Located at 51 E. Haskell Street, across from Humboldt General Hospital.
- **Golden Valley Medical Center** - Private clinic owned by Nevada Gold offers screening for asymptomatic and symptomatic persons. Call (775) 625-4653 for an appointment.
- **Ridley's Pharmacy** - Offers in-vehicle, self-administered asymptomatic and symptomatic testing. Go [here](#) and follow the prompts to schedule an appointment.
- **HGH Emergency Department** - Those who experience severe COVID-like symptoms should go directly to the HGH Emergency Department, which is open 24 hours a day, or call 9-1-1 for emergency assistance.

Local COVID-19 information is available in Spanish @CovidEspanol. Humboldt County COVID-19 updates and information are available in English at @HumboldtCountyNV and @StopHumboldtCoronavirus.

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