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HUMBOLDT COUNTY CONFIRMS NINTH COVID-19 DEATH

WINNEMUCCA, Nev.— Humboldt County has confirmed its ninth death from COVID-19.

Humboldt County Health Officer Charles Stringham, MD, said, "I am very sorry to have to report that another member of our community has died from COVID-19."

The woman, who was in her 70s, died while hospitalized for COVID-19. She was one of Humboldt County's previously confirmed cases.

Dr. Stringham said, "This woman leaves behind many grieving family members and friends. There are no words to express our deep sorrow at her passing; our only hope is that her loved ones will find peace in the many memories she has left with them."

Dr. Stringham said this is the fifth death in three weeks; previously, Humboldt County had not had a death since May.

"The state continues to record its highest death rates since the pandemic began," said Dr. Stringham, "and Humboldt County certainly has not been immune from those same grim statistics."

He continued, "My only hope is that we, as a community, will take every precaution to keep ourselves, our families and others safe from this virus."

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.

Free cloth masks are available to community members at the Olsen's and Ridley's pharmacies, courtesy of the Mucca Mask Makers, or by messaging the group on Facebook @Mucca Mask Makers.

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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