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HUMBOLDT COUNTY REPORTS NINE NEW CASES, 982 TOTAL CONFIRMATIONS

WINNEMUCCA, Nev.—Humboldt County has been notified of nine more positive cases of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), raising the county’s total to 982.

The Fort McDermitt Paiute Shoshone Tribe reports 193 positive cases. In all, Fort McDermitt has completed 2,763 tests, 186 people have recovered, one person has died, and the tribe has six 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
982	Man	50s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
981	Man	20s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
980	Male	Teen	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
979	Man	40s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
978	Man	40s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
977	Man	50s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
976	Woman	40s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
975	Male	Child	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
974	Man	30s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating

Two COVID-19 patients are currently hospitalized locally and 11 have died. Humboldt County is currently conducting an audit of positive cases from all testing entities. Until that process is complete, we will not share updated recovery or active case numbers.

The Humboldt County Health Board has two important announcements to share.

First, the health board has launched a recorded information line for COVID-19 vaccine information. Call (775) 375-3200 to hear the latest information about vaccine allocations, local distribution opportunities,

and changes as they occur. The line will be updated with new information every Monday and Thursday or as needed, so please call frequently to stay up to date.

Also, just a reminder that later today, Humboldt County Health Officer Charles Stringham, MD, will present “Ask Me Anything About COVID-19.”

Beginning at 6 p.m., Monday, January 18, Dr. Stringham will answer community members’ questions about anything related to COVID-19; no questions are off limits.

This is the second “Ask Me Anything” presentation Dr. Stringham has presented. “We had such great participation and a great variety of questions last month,” he said. “I’m really looking forward to helping people continue to get the answers they need.”

Humboldt County will host the forum. Local residents can join by telephone or via teleconference on their computers, tablets or telephones. Residents will have the chance to ask questions live during the meeting, or to submit a question via the program’s chat function.

To join Monday’s meeting, [click here](#) just prior to the 6 p.m. start time and follow the prompts for audio and video controls. Or, call in (audio only) at (702) 935-0127 and press conference ID 375 007 60# at the prompt.

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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