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## HUMBOLDT COUNTY CONFIRMS FOUR MORE DEATHS FROM COVID-19

WINNEMUCCA, Nev.— Humboldt County has confirmed its 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th deaths from COVID-19.

Humboldt County Health Officer Charles Stringham, MD, said the following people have died after becoming severely ill. All were confirmed for COVID-19 before their deaths.

- A man in his 70s who died while hospitalized.
- A woman in her 60s who died while hospitalized.
- A woman in her 50s who died at home.
- A man in his 50s who died while hospitalized.

Dr. Stringham shared his sadness at the local residents' passings. "It is difficult to know people have been thriving at one time and then, just weeks, or even days later, they pass as a result of this virus," he said.

Since the beginning of the latest coronavirus surge in August, Humboldt County has lost 16 local residents to the virus—more than half of the county's death toll in just six weeks.

"The virus is still a threat," said Dr. Stringham. "We would all like it to go away, but only our behavior will determine its effects."

Dr. Stringham continues to urge all eligible residents to get fully vaccinated with the two-dose Moderna or Pfizer vaccines.

The doctor also continues to recommend that unvaccinated and vaccinated individuals wear masks while indoors or while in crowded outdoor settings.

The following vaccination opportunities are available to Humboldt County residents:

- **Ridley's Pharmacy** is offering the Moderna, Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson vaccines to Humboldt County residents age 18 and older. No appointment is necessary; drop by anytime between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, not including holidays.

- **The Walmart Pharmacy** is offering COVID-19 vaccines to all individuals age 12 and older, including the third dose for immunocompromised persons. Vaccine type depends on age and availability. No appointment is necessary; go to the pharmacy drop-off window to ask for assistance.
- **The Community Health Nurse** is offering vaccination appointments to all individuals age 12 and older. The Moderna and Pfizer third doses are available for immunocompromised persons; additionally, the Pfizer third dose is available for law enforcement, medical and first responder personnel. Please call (775) 623-6575 to schedule.

COVID-19 testing locations in Humboldt County include:

- **Humboldt General Hospital Screening Clinic** - Humboldt General Hospital Screening Clinic - Offers drive-thru screening for asymptomatic and 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 PCR send-out testing for asymptomatic and symptomatic individuals. 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.

Humboldt County has established a COVID-19 vaccine recorded information line in both English and Spanish. Call (775) 375-3200 to hear the latest about vaccine allocations, local distribution opportunities and changes as they occur. The line is updated with new information every Friday (not including holidays), or as needed. Information is also available by emailing [vaccine@humboldtcountynv.gov](mailto:vaccine@humboldtcountynv.gov).

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