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### Public Health continues response following COVID-19

The Humboldt County Public Health Branch responded last week to a COVID-19 outbreak at Fortuna Rehabilitation & Wellness Center where 26 residents and 10 staff members have now tested positive for the virus. One resident is currently hospitalized.

Due to the vulnerability of the long-term care facility's senior and medically fragile residents, Public Health staff are providing a heightened level of response.

The branch's Communicable Disease team is testing residents and staff three times a week and coordinating with the California Department of Public Health's Healthcare-Associated Infections group. The teams are meeting on an expedited schedule with facility management to slow the spread of the virus.

Fortuna Rehabilitation & Wellness Center is a 104-bed facility with 56 residents and 70 staff members. According to facility management, they are working to backfill staff who have tested positive.

For the most recent COVID-19 information, visit [cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov) or [cdph.ca.gov](https://www.cdph.ca.gov) Local information is available at [humboldt.gov](https://www.humboldt.gov).

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