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1 New Hospitalization, 291 New Cases During Past Seven-Day Period, Northern California health officers issue statement about case increases

Humboldt County Public Health confirmed today the hospitalization of a resident in their 40s. No new deaths were reported. An additional 215 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 were announced as well as 76 new probable cases for the period between Tuesday, June 28, and Tuesday, July 5. The total number of confirmed cases in the county stands at 19,813. An additional 4,147 cases are reported as probable.*

Local vaccination data has been updated on the COVID-19 Data Dashboard. Highlights include:

- Since the last weekly report on June 28, an additional 71 residents completed their vaccine series.
- A total of 90,652 individuals, or approximately 67% of the county's total population, have been fully vaccinated as of Tuesday.

In response to increasing COVID-19 case counts in Northern California, the Rural Association of Northern California Health Officers (RANCHO) recently issued a statement about current concerns and recommendations.

The coalition of health officers, which represents 11 rural counties, warned there is potential for surges of hospitalized patients and impacts on schools and business as well as high-risk congregate settings such as skilled nursing facilities. The RANCHO statement noted, "Northern California counties generally lag behind the rest of CA for increased cases. Although there is some immunity provided after infection, it is not sufficient to prevent spread or variant progression." The coalition added that unvaccinated residents are much more likely to be infected, hospitalized and face death.

RANCHO is recommending that Northern California residents:

- **Get Vaccinated** and boosted if eligible. Infants 6 months and older and toddlers are now eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine.
- **Test** before going to an indoor event or party or travelling on public transportation. If you have symptoms or test positive, stay home. Call your provider for effective treatments if you test positive for COVID-19.
- **Gather** outdoors to make it harder for COVID-19 to spread to others.
- **Mask** indoors in public places. Open windows to improve ventilation and upgrade HVAC filters to Merv 13 or the highest possible.

Read the entire RANCHO statement in [English here](#) and in [Spanish here](#).

OptumServe continues to offer rapid antigen testing and PCR testing services at the Wharfinger site. PCR tests are available only on a walk-in basis and must be specifically requested from the attendee. Walk-in attendees should receive only rapid antigen testing unless the attendee specifically states they require a PCR test. Appointments for antigen testing can be made at lhi.care/covidtesting or by calling 888-634-1123.

Vaccines remain readily available throughout Humboldt County and, as always, Humboldt's vaccination and testing services are available free of charge. Walk-ins are welcome at all Public Health clinics and some pharmacy vaccination sites. Appointments can also be made at MyTurn.ca.gov.

See the schedule below for specific Public Health vaccination and testing clinic dates, times, locations and available services. Walk-ins are welcome and PCR and rapid testing is available on a first-come first-served basis. Questions about clinic services can be directed to Public Health at 707-445-6201.

Eureka – Thursday, July 7, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Betty Kwan Chinn Day Center (133 Seventh St.)
Ages 5 and older
Pfizer/Johnson & Johnson/Moderna

Petrolia – Friday, July 8, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Mattole Valley Resource Center (167 Sherman St.)
Ages 5 and older
Pfizer/Johnson & Johnson/Moderna

Honeydew – Friday, July 8, 3:30 to 5 p.m.

Honeydew Elementary (1 Wilder Ridge Road)
Ages 5 and older
Pfizer/Johnson & Johnson/Moderna

Eureka – Friday, July 8, 9 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Closed from noon to 1 p.m.

Public Health Main (529 I St.)
Ages 5 and older
Pfizer/Johnson & Johnson/Moderna

Eureka – Saturday, July 9, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

College of the Redwoods (7351 Tompkins Hill Road)

Ages 5 and older

Pfizer/Johnson & Johnson/Moderna

Willow Creek – Tuesday, July 12, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Willow Creek Public Health (77 Walnut Way)

Ages 5 and older

Pfizer/Johnson & Johnson/Moderna

Arcata – Tuesday, July 12, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

D Street Neighborhood Center (1301 D St.)

Ages 5 and older

Pfizer/Johnson & Johnson/Moderna

Hoopa – Wednesday, July 13, 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

K'ima:w Health Fair at Hoopa Tribal Office

Ages 5 and older

Pfizer/Johnson & Johnson/Moderna

* "Confirmed cases" represent the total confirmed positive PCR test results or detection of SARS-CoV-2 by genomic sequencing, and "probable cases" are individuals who:

- Have a positive antigen (Ag) test for COVID-19, or
- Were diagnosed with COVID-19 disease by a health care provider, or
- Have symptoms of COVID-19 disease after being in close contact with a person having a PCR-confirmed test result, or
- Were a decedent whose death certificate lists COVID-19 as a cause or significant contributing factor of their death, in the absence of a positive PCR test result.

Sign up for COVID-19 vaccination: [MyTurn.ca.gov](https://myturn.ca.gov)

Check for vaccine availability at a local pharmacy: [Vaccines.gov](https://vaccines.gov)

Local COVID-19 vaccine information: humboldt.gov/VaccineInfo

Humboldt County COVID-19 Data Dashboard: humboldt.gov/3246

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