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Two New Hospitalizations, 93 New Cases

Humboldt County Public Health reported today two new hospitalizations including a resident in their 60s and a resident aged 80 or older. An additional 78 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 were announced as well as 15 new probable cases for the period between Tuesday, Feb. 14 and Tuesday, Feb. 21. The total number of confirmed cases in the county stands at 23,530. An additional 6,104 cases are reported as probable.*

Humboldt County COVID-19 vaccination data is available at the California Department of Public Health's [Tracking COVID-19 in California Data Dashboard](#). Residents can scroll down to the "County and statewide data" section and input "Humboldt County" to get local vaccination data.

OptumServe will continue to offer rapid antigen testing and PCR testing services at the Wharfinger Building in Eureka this week. Walk-ins will receive only rapid antigen testing unless the attendee specifically states they require a PCR test. Appointments for antigen testing can be made by calling 888-634-1123. Wharfinger testing will run Wednesday, Feb. 22, and Friday, Feb. 24, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. It will be closed from 11 a.m. to noon and 4 to 5 p.m.

The Wharfinger site's last day will be Saturday, Feb. 25. Testing will take place from 7 to 11 a.m. on that day.

Californians in need of COVID-19 testing can purchase over the counter (OTC) tests at local stores or pharmacies or order through their health insurers or the federal government at <https://special.usps.com/testkits>.

Individuals who use OTC tests and do not have a health care provider may access test-to-treat services by contacting Sesame Telehealth at <https://sesamecare.com/covidca> or by calling 1-833-686-5051.

California's COVID-19 State of Emergency officially ends on Feb. 28. DHHS will issue its final weekly COVID-19 news release Wednesday, March 1.

Children 6 months and older are eligible for the COVID vaccine and bivalent boosters. To learn more or to book an appointment, talk to your child's health care provider. Scheduling for children ages 6 months through 5 years is also available on [MyTurn.ca.gov](https://myturn.ca.gov).

See the schedule below for specific Public Health vaccination and testing clinic dates, times, locations and available services. Bivalent boosters will be provided at all.

Fortuna — Thursday, Feb. 23, 10 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Fortuna Vets Hall (1426 Main St.)

Willow Creek — Thursday, Feb. 23, 10 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Willow Creek Public Health (77 Walnut Way)

Fortuna — Friday, Feb. 24, 10 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

Fortuna Adventist Community Services (2331 Rohnerville Road)

Redway — Friday, Feb. 24, 10 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Healy Senior Center (456 Briceland Road)

Eureka — Saturday, Feb. 25, 11 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

College of the Redwoods (7351 Tompkins Hill Road)

Fortuna — Sunday, Feb. 26, 9 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

Fortuna Adventist Community Services (2331 Rohnerville Road)

Eureka — Monday, Feb. 27, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (Closed from noon to 1 p.m.)

Public Health Main (529 I St.)

Eureka — Wednesday, March 1, 11 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Betty Kwan Chinn Day Center (133 Seventh St.)

* "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.

For information about COVID-19, please call Humboldt County Public Health at 707-445-6201, or email HHSPHB@co.humboldt.ca.us.

For local updates, visit Humboldt Health Alert
at humboldt.gov/HumboldtHealthAlert.

Sign up for COVID-19 vaccination: MyTurn.ca.gov

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

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