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Five New Cases Confirmed Today

Humboldt County's total number of confirmed COVID-19 cases is now 77 as five additional positive cases were confirmed today.

Testing conducted by Humboldt County Public Health at Alder Bay Assisted Living found an additional staff person at the facility positive for the virus. That person is now isolating. Repeat testing of staff and residents will continue through the weekend. Of the other four cases, one was determined to be travel-related, and three cases remain under investigation.

Deputy Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Josh Ennis said recent case investigations highlight the need to social distance, minimize travel and avoid congregating in groups. Even if feeling well, a single person can clearly spread the virus to many others in group settings which, coupled with travel, is a multiplier of cases, he said.

"The virus is circulating in Humboldt County, so ask yourself whether it's appropriate to travel, or bring groups of people together," Ennis said, adding, "In light of businesses reopening, we all have more reason to act responsibly, and collectively contribute to avoiding a scenario of uncontrolled spread of the virus."

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