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Two New Cases Reported Today

Humboldt County's confirmed COVID-19 case count rose to 138 after two additional cases were reported today.

Of the 138 residents who have tested positive, more than 60 percent contracted the virus through contact with a known case. The upcoming Fourth of July weekend is traditionally a time when friends, families and communities come together in celebration, but gatherings of any size that bring people together outside of their household groups continue to increase spread of COVID-19, both in our county and statewide.

Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Teresa Frankovich today joined state health officials in urging residents to avoid gatherings and help slow the spread of the virus. "I think we can all agree that spending time with friends and family in-person would be great, but we're just not there yet," she said.

"Any time two households get together, there's an increased risk of exposure. In fact, we are currently seeing a significant increase in cases due to visiting occurring between extended family members. We are also seeing cases related to individuals visiting households in other counties," Frankovich said. "Again, we are at a crossroads. If we do not adhere to prevention practices, we are soon going to see increasing cases locally. We can keep each other safe by staying local and staying within our household groups."

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) or during business hours by contacting covidinfo@co.humboldt.ca.us or calling 707-441-5000.

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