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113 New Cases, One Death Reported Since Friday

A sixteenth Humboldt County resident has died after testing positive for COVID-19, and an additional 113 cases of the virus have been reported since Friday. The total number of county residents who have tested positive now stands at 1,500.

The person who died was in their 80s and a patient at Granada Rehabilitation and Wellness Center at the time of death, the seventh COVID-related death connected to the facility. Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Ian Hoffman said Public Health extends its sympathies to all of the families who have lost loved ones all year and in this holiday season.

The daily and weekly datasets on the Humboldt County Data Dashboard have been updated. Some highlights include:

- The county has seen more than an 11% increase in cases over the last week, and the case doubling time is now 33 days.
- Humboldt County's rate of confirmed cases is 1,119 per 100,000 residents, compared to the state rate of 4,693 and the U.S. rate of 5,420 per 100,000 residents.
- The 20-29 age group represents the highest number of local cases at just over 27%. Six county residents in this age group have been hospitalized with COVID-19.

Dr. Hoffman said, "These hospitalizations we're seeing in younger groups are a reminder that this disease is not just affecting the very old and should further strengthen our resolve to each do our part to stop this pandemic."

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.

Local COVID-19 vaccine information: [humboldt.gov/vaccineinfo](https://www.humboldt.gov/vaccineinfo),
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