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42 New Cases Reported Today

Forty-two additional cases of COVID-19 were reported today. A case reported earlier this week was determined to be from out of the county, so the total number of Humboldt County residents who have tested positive for the virus now stands at 1,998.

In vaccine-related news, today the California Department of Public Health's "California's COVID-19 Vaccine Plan" was posted to Humboldt County's website at humboldt.gov/2872/Vaccine-Info. It contains easy-to-understand information about state and local vaccine planning.

Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Ian Hoffman said, "We want the community to see clearly the vaccine priorities that have been set by the state and how we're moving through the tiers here in Humboldt County."

Currently, Humboldt County is inviting providers in Phase 1A-tier 1 and 2 to vaccination clinics, and is expected to extend invites to tier 3 by the end of this week. Phase 1A is estimated to involve approximately 10,000 people locally and includes but is not limited to staff at acute care facilities and dialysis centers, paramedics and EMTs and staff at primary care clinics and laboratories, dentists and community health outreach workers. "We have a clear plan that we are working through and will continue to make information available as quickly as we can," Dr. Hoffman said.

(See graphic below.)

Vaccine Distribution Phases

Phase 1A

About 3 million people statewide

- Healthcare workers
- Long-term care residents

See CDPH Allocation Guidelines for Phase 1A.

Phase 1B

1B Tier One:

- Individuals **75 and older**
- Those at risk of exposure at work in the following sectors: education, childcare, emergency services and food and agriculture.

1B Tier Two:

- Individuals **65-74 years old**
- Those at risk of exposure at work in the following sectors: transportation and logistics; industrial, commercial, residential and sheltering facilities and services; critical manufacturing
- Congregate settings with outbreak risk: incarcerated and homeless.

Phase 1C

- Individuals **50-64 years of age**
- People **16-64 years of age** and have an underlying health condition or disability which increases their risk of severe COVID-19
- Those at risk of exposure at work in the following sectors: water and wastewater; defense; energy; chemical and hazardous materials; communications and IT; financial services; government operations/ community-based essential functions.

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 the Joint Information Center at 707-441-5000.

Local COVID-19 vaccine information: [humboldt.gov/vaccineinfo](https://www.humboldt.gov/vaccineinfo)
Humboldt County COVID-19 Data Dashboard: [humboldt.gov/dashboard](https://www.humboldt.gov/dashboard)
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