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County Allocated 6,910 Vaccine Doses for Next Week; 9 New Cases Reported Today

Humboldt County has been allocated a total of 6,910 doses of COVID-19 vaccine by the State of California for next week.

Of those doses, 3,400 are Moderna and 3,510 are Pfizer. No doses of the Johnson & Johnson single-dose vaccine were allocated to the county for next week. Humboldt County Public Health will use 700 Moderna doses and 834 Pfizer doses for next week's large-scale vaccination clinics, at which Public Health expects to pilot the state's MyTurn (myturn.ca.gov/) vaccine notification and scheduling program in anticipation of widescale adoption in April. The remainder of the doses will be allocated to other approved local vaccinators.

The total number of Humboldt County residents who have tested positive for COVID-19 now stands at 3,441 after nine new cases were reported today.

California Gov. Gavin Newsom today announced plans to expand vaccination priority groups next month based on "expected supply increases." The governor said everyone age 50 and over will be eligible starting April 1 and those over the age of 16 will be eligible beginning April 15, though the state acknowledged that "even with expanded vaccine supplies, it is expected to take several months for willing Californians to be vaccinated."

Humboldt County Public Health officials said local vaccination efforts continue to focus on groups prioritized early on by the state. They pointed out that clinics for workers in agricultural production began last week, and some grocery, restaurant and other food workers are receiving appointment invitations through their employers this week with more expected in the coming weeks. Health officials went on to say that current allocations would not allow for expansion to additional groups without the significant increase in supply forecast by the governor today.

Read more about the state's announcement at <http://www.oesnews.com/state-expands-vaccine-eligibility-to-50-californians-starting-april-1-and-all-individuals-16-on-april-15-based-on-expected-supply-increases/>.

For the most recent COVID-19 information, visit cdc.gov or cdph.ca.gov. Local information is

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

Some Safeway and CVS Pharmacy locations are offering COVID-19 vaccination appointments. See if there are appointments available for your age group or sector at one of these locations by clicking on the links below.

Safeway: <https://www.mhealthappointments.com/covidappt>

CVS Pharmacy: <https://www.cvs.com/immunizations/covid-19-vaccine?icid=cvs-home-hero1-link2-coronavirus-vaccine>.

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

Humboldt County COVID-19 Data Dashboard: humboldt.gov/Dashboard

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