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HUMBOLDT COUNTY REPORTS NINE NEW CASES, 966 TOTAL CONFIRMATIONS

WINNEMUCCA, Nev.—Humboldt County has been notified of nine more positive cases of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), raising the county’s total to 966.

The Fort McDermitt Paiute Shoshone Tribe reports 193 positive cases. In all, Fort McDermitt has completed 2,737 tests, 184 people have recovered, one person has died, and the tribe has eight active cases.

Based on available information, close contacts of the newest Humboldt County cases are being identified or have been notified and are following self-isolation procedures to prevent community spread of the virus.

Brief summary information of Humboldt County’s latest cases follows:

Case #	Gender	Age Range	Contact	Status
966	Woman	60s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
965	Woman	60s	Investigation in progress	Hospitalized
964	Woman	60s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
963	Woman	20s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
962	Woman	30s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
961	Man	30s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
960	Woman	20s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
959	Woman	40s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating
958	Woman	60s	Investigation in progress	Self-isolating

Three COVID-19 patients are currently hospitalized locally and 11 have died. Humboldt County is currently conducting an audit of positive cases from all testing entities. Until that process is complete, we will not share updated recovery or active case numbers.

Monday, January 18, Dr. Chet Stringham will once again answer this community’s questions about COVID-19 as part of “Ask Me Anything About COVID-19.”

Beginning at 6 p.m., the Humboldt County Health Officer will present a live Q&A podcast with the idea of answering as many community members' questions as possible in an easy-going, conversational format.

This is the second "Ask Me Anything" presentation Dr. Stringham has presented. "We had such great participation and a great variety of questions last month," he said. "I'm really looking forward to helping people continue to get the answers they need."

Humboldt County will host the forum. Local residents can join by telephone or via teleconference on their computers, tablets or telephones. Residents will have the chance to ask questions live during the meeting, or to submit a question via the program's chat function.

"The entire podcast will be live, unscripted, and dedicated entirely to answering the questions you've had about absolutely anything related to COVID-19," said the doctor. "No questions are off limits!"

To join Monday's meeting, [click here](#) just prior to the 6 p.m. start time and follow the prompts for audio and video controls. Or, call in (audio only) at (702) 935-0127 and press conference ID 375 007 60# at the prompt.

To prevent the spread of COVID-19 in Humboldt County:

- Stay home to limit exposure, and wear a facial covering if going out in public is necessary.
- Maintain 6 feet of distance from other people at all times.
- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid visiting sick people or those who are self-isolating.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue, and throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Self-isolate if they have had a known exposure, or if they are awaiting COVID-19 test results.
- Stay informed. The COVID-19 situation is changing frequently. Up-to-date information is available on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) [website](#).

COVID-19 testing locations in Humboldt County include:

- **Humboldt General Hospital Screening Clinic** - Offers drive-thru screening for asymptomatic persons from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed from noon to 1 p.m. for lunch), and by-appointment screening with a provider for symptomatic persons from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed from noon to 1 p.m. for lunch; call 775-623-5222, ext. 1379 to schedule an appointment). Located at 51 E. Haskell Street, across from Humboldt General Hospital.
- **Golden Valley Medical Center** - Private clinic owned by Nevada Gold offers screening for asymptomatic and symptomatic persons. Call (775) 625-4653 for an appointment.
- **Ridley's Pharmacy** - Offers in-vehicle, self-administered asymptomatic and symptomatic testing. Go [here](#) and follow the prompts to schedule an appointment.
- **HGH Emergency Department** - Those who experience severe COVID-like symptoms should go directly to the HGH Emergency Department, which is open 24 hours a day, or call 9-1-1 for emergency assistance.

Local COVID-19 information is available in Spanish @CovidEspanol. Humboldt County COVID-19 updates and information are available in English at @HumboldtCountyNV and @StopHumboldtCoronavirus.

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