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HUMBOLDT COUNTY REPORTS FIVE NEW COVID-19 CASES

WINNEMUCCA, Nev. — Humboldt County has been notified of five more positive cases of COVID-19, from Thursday, December 16, through Wednesday, December 22, raising the overall cumulative total to 2674.

In all, the county has 2611 recovered and 19 active cases. Four hospitalized people were released during the week; five other COVID-19 patients remain hospitalized. In all, 44 county residents have died.

Humboldt County Health Officer Charles Stringham, MD, continues to recommend that unvaccinated and vaccinated individuals wear masks while indoors or while in crowded outdoor settings. He also continues to recommend that all eligible residents get fully vaccinated with the two-dose Moderna or Pfizer vaccines plus booster.

In other news:

- As of December 22, Humboldt County has confirmed 49 COVID-19 cases for the month.
- Of December's 49 cases, eight—or about 16%—are fully vaccinated; none are partially vaccinated; and 84% are unvaccinated.
- Humboldt County has had five breakthrough infections, meaning a fully vaccinated person who was hospitalized. All five persons have since been released. Per the information provided by the State of Nevada, Humboldt County has not had any vaccinated deaths.
- Humboldt County is a substantial risk transmission area according to the Centers for Disease Control [county tracker](#). Humboldt County's average number of tests is **189** (189 on December 16); case rate is **243** (231 on December 16); and test positivity rate is **5.1%** (4.5% on December 16).
- Currently, 44% of Humboldt County's population has initiated vaccination and 39% has completed vaccination. In all, 47% of the population over age 5 has initiated vaccination.
- Humboldt General Hospital offers a drive-through Regeneron clinic for those who test positive for COVID-19 and are experiencing mild to moderate symptoms. Treatments are available Monday through Friday. To schedule an appointment, please visit www.hghospital.org/covid. Those who cannot access the online registration should call (775) 623-7923. Proof of a positive COVID test is required. There is no cost for the Regeneron, although patients will be charged a fee for its administration. Patients must be 12 years or older AND weigh more than 80 pounds to participate.

- Humboldt General Hospital has a COVID-19 medical provider on staff who is available to meet with those seeking to prevent COVID, those who have tested positive for the virus, and those who continue to experience the lingering effects of COVID illness. To make an appointment, please call (775) 623-5222, ext. 1379. The clinic is located at 51 E. Haskell Street in the building adjacent to the drive-through COVID-19 screening clinic.
- Pfizer vaccines for 5- to 11-year-old children have been approved and are now available through Humboldt County Community Health. Please call (775) 626-6575 to make an appointment.
- Booster doses of the COVID-19 vaccine are now available for the Moderna, Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson vaccines for all populations age 16 and older. Recipients of the two-dose Moderna or Pfizer vaccines should receive a booster six months following their second shot; recipients of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine should receive a booster two months following their initial vaccination.

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

Case #	Gender	Age Range	Contact	Status
2670	Man	30s	Under investigation	Self-isolating
2671	Man	50s	Under investigation	Self-isolating
2672	Man	60s	Under investigation	Self-isolating
2673	Woman	20s	Under investigation	Self-isolating
2674	Man	60s	Under investigation	Deceased

The following vaccination opportunities are available to Humboldt County residents:

- **Ridley’s Pharmacy** is offering the Moderna, Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson vaccines to Humboldt County residents age 16 and older. No appointment is necessary; drop by anytime between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, not including holidays.
- **The Walmart Pharmacy** in Winnemucca is offering COVID-19 vaccines to all individuals age 5 and older, including boosters for persons age 16 and older. Vaccine type depends on age and availability. No appointment is necessary; go to the pharmacy drop-off window to ask for assistance.
- **The Community Health Nurse** is offering vaccination appointments to all individuals age 5 and older, including boosters for persons age 16 and older. Please call (775) 626-6575 to schedule.

Local COVID-19 information is available in Spanish [@CovidEspanol](#). Humboldt County COVID-19 updates and information are available in English at [@HumboldtCountyNV](#), at www.hcnv.us and at [The Humboldt County Report](#).

Humboldt County has established a COVID-19 vaccine recorded information line in both English and Spanish. Call (775) 675-6221 to hear the latest about vaccine allocations, local distribution opportunities and changes as they occur. The line is updated with new information every Friday (not including holidays), or as needed. Information is also available by emailing vaccine@humboldtcountynv.gov.

Humboldt County has a supply of personal protective equipment, including facial masks and hand sanitizer, available to local businesses. To request supplies, businesses should call the Humboldt County Comptroller’s office at (775) 626-6767.

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