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First Deaths from COVID-19 in Amador

Amador County, CA – Amador County Public Health confirms two deaths due to COVID-19 and twenty seven additional cases in Amador County since Tuesday’s COVID-19 update. The individuals who passed were in their 80s and both had underlying conditions placing them at higher risk for COVID-19 complications.

“It is with heavy hearts that we confirm these deaths and offer our sincere condolences to the families,” said Dr. Rita Kerr, Amador County Health Officer. “Not only were they members of our community, they were someone’s parent or sibling, and family and friends are grieving their loss.”

The new cases reinforce the same pattern of virus spread and highlight the need to continue to protect ourselves, our family and our community. Currently the pathways of spread in Amador are:

- (1) Family or co-worker transmission
- (2) Congregate living transmission
- (3) Community transmission

Four of the new cases reside in Lone, 20 live in Jackson, 2 live in Pioneer, and 1 lives in Sutter Creek. The new cases include 19 females and 8 males, 6 age 18-49, 1 age 50-65, and 20 over age 65. These cases include outbreaks within skilled nursing and long term care facilities. Seven cases are currently hospitalized locally and one case is hospitalized out of county.

Total cases in Amador to date = 164 cases.

Total hospitalized in Amador County = 7 cases.

Total hospitalized out-of-county = 1 case.

Total active cases = 50 cases.

Total cases released from isolation to date = 112 cases. Cases are released from isolation when they are no longer infectious.

Remaining vigilant about precautions, including within the workplace, makes an impact in reducing the spread of COVID-19. This includes 6-foot physical distancing and wearing masks or face coverings even during break times and commuting together. Gathering should be avoided. Vulnerable, high risk individuals are encouraged to stay home as much as possible. This includes persons over age 65 and those with chronic health conditions that put them at higher risk for severe COVID-19. All should avoid mixing with others outside your household. Avoid unnecessary travel. Stay home if you are sick. Stay home if you have symptoms and are awaiting test results.

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