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Amador COVID-19 Update

Amador County, CA – Amador County Public Health confirms an additional eight COVID-19 cases since Friday's COVID-19 update. In Amador, the most common spread of this virus continues to be family or workplace transmission, congregate living transmission, and community transmission.

Two of the new cases reside in Lone, 3 live in Jackson, 2 live in Pine Grove, and 1 resides in Sutter Creek. The new cases include 8 females, 2 age 18-49, 3 age 50-64, and 3 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 = 216 cases.

Total hospitalized in Amador County = 7 cases.

Total hospitalized out-of-county = 1 case.

Total confirmed COVID-19 deaths = 11 deaths.

Total active cases = 40 cases.

Total cases released from isolation to date = 165 cases. Cases are released from isolation when they are no longer infectious.

No-cost testing for COVID-19 is available to anyone over the age of 18 that would like to get tested. Verily testing site appointments, for Jackson, Kirkwood, or Placerville, may be scheduled online via their website: <https://www.projectbaseline.com/study/covid-19/>

The lag in testing time turn around has improved over the last week. Many Verily test results are now returning in under a week. Visit the verily website to view available days and times. The Amador County Public Health Testing Helpline is available to assist with appointment registration and to answer COVID-19 testing questions: (209) 223-6676.

It is important to remember that this virus is mainly spread person-to-person and practicing consistent precautions makes an impact in reducing the spread of COVID-19. Every day actions our community can take include practicing 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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