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Amador COVID-19 Vaccine Update

Amador County, CA – This week, only 200 doses of COVID-19 vaccine have been allocated to Amador County. Amador County Public Health is administering COVID-19 vaccine doses as quickly as supply is issued from the state. All 200 will be given to Phase 1a and 1b groups this week. These groups include healthcare workers, first responders, community outreach workers, and educators. This will deplete this week's allocation to Amador County. Demand for vaccine continues to exceed supply. By the end of the week, Amador will not have any remaining supply to increase vaccine availability locally unless the federal and state government speeds up allocations and delivery to counties. Over 2000 doses have been administered in Amador to-date.

Amador Public Health is working with multiple partners and sectors to prepare to vaccinate larger groups of the population and are committed to a safe and equitable vaccine distribution. The strategy in Amador is to make the vaccine available through partnerships with the health care systems, community clinics, and county-administered points of dispensing (PODs). Those age 65 and over are encouraged to reach out to their health care provider to see if they have vaccine available. Public Health anticipates operating county PODs as more vaccine becomes available in the coming weeks. These county PODs will open to those age 75 and over first, followed by those age 65 and over. As county-run PODs are scheduled, they will be posted on the Amador COVID-19 website: <https://www.amadorgov.org/services/covid-19>. Eligible individuals will be able to access a link to schedule a vaccine appointment when more vaccine is available to Amador. Another way for Amador residents to learn about vaccine registration opportunities is to sign-up for health and safety e-notification updates on the Amador County website: <https://www.amadorgov.org/about/e-notifications>.

No-cost community COVID-19 nasal swab testing by appointment has moved locations and transitioned to OptumServe. Online registration may be accessed at <https://lhi.care/covidtesting>. Those without internet access may register by calling 1-888-634-1123. The new testing site is at the Health and Human Services building rear parking lot located at 10877 Conductor Blvd, Sutter Creek, CA 95685. Drive around to the rear entrance of the building, park in the area designated by red cones, and remain in your vehicle. Testing staff will approach the vehicle with instructions. OptumServe testing will be available in Amador County on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays. On-site registration is available. Amador residents should continue testing to demonstrate to the state that our community COVID-19 activity is decreasing.

Amador County Public Health reports 73 new cases of COVID-19, bringing the total laboratory confirmed case count to 1,388, and 2 additional deaths since last Tuesday's update. The individuals who passed were 2 males, 1 in his 70s and another in his 80s. The new cases include 42 males and 31 females, 2 children under the age of 18, 35 aged 18-49, 17 aged 50-64, 19 over 65 years of age; 15 residing in Lone, 28 living in Jackson, 8 living in Pine Grove, 5 in Pioneer, 5 in Plymouth/surrounding areas, 11 residing in Sutter Creek/Amador City, and 1 in Volcano. Nineteen cases, including Mule Creek State Prison (MCSP) inmates, are currently hospitalized.

To view current Amador County COVID-19 case statistics, please visit the Amador COVID-19 website: <https://www.amadorgov.org/services/covid-19>. Mule Creek State Prison [inmate cases](#) are not included in the Amador County COVID-19 totals.