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## **Amador COVID-19 Surge**

Amador County, CA – Amador County Public Health reports 167 more cases of COVID-19 since last Tuesday's update, bringing the total laboratory confirmed case count to 2,652. The current cases include 83 males and 84 females; 54 children under the age of 18 years, 64 aged 18-49, 29 aged 50-64, 20 age 65 and above; 48 residing in Ione, 38 in Jackson, 19 living in Plymouth/surrounding areas, 23 in Pine Grove, 16 residing in Pioneer, 21 in Sutter Creek/Amador City, and 2 residing in Volcano. 1,418 cases of COVID-19 have been confirmed in 2021 to date. Of the new cases this week, 29 were fully-vaccinated.

The surge of COVID-19 cases and hospital and intensive care unit (ICU) admissions continues to impact our local hospital and subsequently has required pre-planned surge protocol to be followed. Ten Amador residents are currently hospitalized locally with COVID-19, in addition to 5 residents from other counties. Of those hospitalized, only one was fully-vaccinated.

The OptumServe COVID-19 test site will be closed in observance of the Labor Day holiday on September 6, 2021. A one-time make-up test day for the Labor Day closure will be offered on Friday, September 10, 2021 from 7 am to 7 pm. Except for holidays, no-cost COVID-19 testing is available on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays from 7 am to 7 pm. Register for testing at the <a href="hill-care">hill-initiation</a> website or by calling 1-888-634-1123. Appointment registration is recommended as those pre-registered are prioritized. Masks are required at the testing site located at the rear of the Health and Human Services building. Everyone exhibiting symptoms, even fully vaccinated individuals, should isolate and be tested.

On Thursday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, a vaccine pop-up clinic will be offered at Sutter Terrace, located at 17 El Terrado in Sutter Creek, from 10 am to 1 pm. On Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, a weekend clinic will be held at Hook'd, located at 800 South Church Street in lone, from 9 am to 4 pm. The Pfizer vaccine, Moderna vaccine, and Johnson and Johnson (single-dose) vaccine will be offered at each pop-up site. No appointment is necessary. To view the calendar of upcoming outreach clinics, visit the Amador COVID-19 Vaccine Information webpage. Public Health also offers vaccines by appointment and to homebound individuals. Appointments may be scheduled by calling (209) 223-6407. COVID-19 vaccine is also available at local pharmacies. Visit the Vaccines.gov website for more information. Over 37,100 doses of COVID-19 vaccine have been administered to Amador residents to date.