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Amador COVID-19 News

Amador County, CA – Amador County Public Health (ACPH) reports 137 more individuals with COVID-19 since last Tuesday (89% unvaccinated). Cases include 48 children under 18 years, 57 age 18-49, 20 age 50-64, and 12 age 65 and above. Confirmed cases in 2021 total 1,999. There are currently 133 active cases in isolation. Investigation confirmed one additional death due to COVID-19, a female in her 80s.

Starting this week, ACPH began using CalCONNECT software to reach out via text messaging to persons who test positive. The text message from 233-93 links to a secure virtual assistant. ACPH Contact Tracers will still make calls to those who cannot receive text messages or who do not respond. For more information about contact tracing CLICK HERE.

Pfizer booster vaccination is <u>recommended for certain individuals</u> six months or later after their second dose of Pfizer. Vaccine clinics will be held at the Health and Human Services Building (HHS), 10877 Conductor Blvd, Sutter Creek on Thursday (Oct. 7), Friday (Oct. 8) and Sunday (Oct. 10) from 9 AM to 6 PM. Visit <u>myturn.ca.gov</u> to schedule an appointment. Please bring your vaccination card, a photo of your card, or digital record that shows the dates of your previous Pfizer doses.

Next week, the OptumServe testing site at HHS will be closed Monday, Oct. 11, in observance of the holiday but will be open Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday from 7 AM to 7 PM. Please register for this no-cost testing at the Ihi.care website or by calling 1-888-634-1123. OptumServe will accommodate walk-ins on a limited basis. Masks are required at the testing site. Anyone who is exhibiting symptoms, even fully vaccinated individuals, should isolate and get tested.

Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson vaccines are offered at ACPH pop-up clinics. These outreach clinics are not for booster vaccinations. No appointment is necessary.

- Wednesday, Oct. 6, at Evalynn Bishop Hall (600 S. Church Street, Ione) from 10 AM to 1 PM
- Friday, Oct. 8, at the Rancheria Gas Station (10690 Dalton Road, Jackson) from 9 AM to noon

To view the calendar of upcoming pop-up clinics, visit the <u>Amador COVID-19 Vaccine Information</u> webpage. Public Health also offers vaccines by appointment and to homebound individuals. Appointments may be scheduled by calling (209) 223-6407.