NEWS ALERTS AND UPDATES – April 7, 2020

NATIONAL:

- Total cases: 374,329 (+43,438)
- Total deaths: 12,064 (+3,154)
- Jurisdictions reporting cases: 55 (50 states, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, Northern Marianas, and US Virgin Islands)

Cases of COVID-19 Reported in the US, by Source of Exposure

- Travel Related – 1,669 (+69)
- Close Contact – 6,847 (+515)
- Under Investigation – 374,329 (+42,854)
- Total cases – 374,329

STATE:

*As of April 6, 2020, 2 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time:

15,865 positive cases (+2,427)

374 deaths in California (+55)

Ages of all confirmed positive cases:

- Age 0-17: 197 cases
- Age 18-49: 7,753 cases
- Age 50-64: 4,344 cases
- Age 65 and older: 3,516 cases
- Unknown/Missing: 55 cases

Gender of all confirmed positive cases:

- Female: 7,600 cases
- Male: 7,957 cases
- Unknown: 308 cases
NEW PUBLIC HEALTH GUIDELINES:

- Running Essential Errands
  - Grocery Shopping, Take-Out, Banking, Getting Gas, and Doctor Visits. Read More Here

- Recommendation Regarding the Use of Cloth Face Coverings, Especially in Areas of Significant Community-Based Transmission.
  - More info here

- Watch U.S. Surgeon General, Dr. Jerome Adams demonstration of making a cloth mask here
  - General info on how to wear cloth masks and more home-made tutorials here
MASK GUIDELINES FOR CHILDREN AND HOW TO KEEP THEM SAFE

- Tips for Caring for Children and keeping them healthy while school’s out
- Mask Safety 101: Why You Shouldn’t Mask a Baby

LOCAL:

April 7, 2020 – COVID Case Count Reaches 50 after one confirmed today

- Total number of positive cases: 50 (+1)
- Total number of hospitalizations: 3

Total number of people tested by Public Health Laboratory: 646
Total number of people tested by all other sources: 543

The Public Health Laboratory currently has a capacity of approximately 500 tests and can process about 50 samples a day with an approximate turnaround time of 48 to 72 hours.

Data available to date indicates the following means of transmission for all Humboldt County cases: Of the 50 cases:

- Contact to a Known Case: 23
- Travel-Acquired: 18
- Community Transmission: 6
- Under Investigation: 3

Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Teresa Frankovich emphasized the continued importance of social distancing and other measures to limit spread of COVID-19.

.... “While we saw only one case confirmed today, we are really just at the beginning of this pandemic locally,” she said. “Sheltering and all of the measures we have put in place will be critically important in slowing transmission over the coming weeks.”
HUMBOLDT COUNTY RESOURCES:

The Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services has several local resources available, including an email and phone hotline.

- Humboldt Health Alert web page
- **General information:**
  707-441-5000
covidinfo@co.humboldt.ca.us
- **Medical advice, questions about testing:**
  707-445-6200
hhsphb@co.humboldt.ca.us.

**Meal Distribution for Kids:** The Humboldt County Office of Education maintains a list of pickup spots distributing free meals for children age 18 and under. Learn more [here](#).

**Resources for schools, students, parents and families: updated daily**

- Learn more at: [https://hcoe.org/covid-19/](https://hcoe.org/covid-19/)