NEWS ALERTS AND UPDATES – April 15, 2020

NATIONAL:

- Total cases: 605,390 (+26,385)
- Total deaths: 24,582 (+2,330)
- 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 – 6,814 (no chg.)
- Close Contact – 14,728 (no chg.)
- Under Investigation – 583,848 (+26,385)
- Total cases – 605,390

STATE:

As of April 14:

- 24,424 positive cases (+1,086)
- 821 deaths (+63)

Approximately 227,600 tests have been conducted. At least 202,208 results have been received and 13,200 are pending.

California Health and Human Services Agency is releasing this information as an open dataset. This includes dashboards for hospital data and statewide case statistics.

GOVERNOR NEWSOM UPDATES:

Governor Newsom Signs Executive Order on Division of Juvenile Justice Discharge and Reentry Process Full PR

Governor Newsom Announces New Initiatives to Support California Workers Impacted by COVID-19 Full PR

Daily Press Conference: Governor Gavin Newsom announces new initiatives to support California workers impacted by COVID-19. Watch here
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:

- California Receives Preliminary Federal Approval to Free Up Funds for Crisis Response.  
  [Full PR]

LOCAL:

April 15, 2020 – New Positive Case Confirmed

Community transmission has been the source of eight cases in Humboldt County.

Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Teresa Frankovich said community transmission is occurring but is slower than it otherwise would be because of shelter-in-place and other measures. “That’s a good thing,” she said. “Aggressive contact investigations by Public Health together with isolation and quarantine orders remain critically important to ongoing containment efforts.”

- Total number of positive cases: 52
- Total number of hospitalizations: 3
- Total number of deaths: 0

Total number of tests run: 1,504

- Total number of people tested by Public Health Laboratory: 901
- Total number of people tested by all other sources: 603

The Public Health Laboratory currently has a capacity of approximately 600 tests and can process about 55 samples a day with an approximate turnaround time of 48 to 72 hours.

Of the 52 cases:

- Contact to a Known Case: 23
- Travel-Acquired: 20
- Community Transmission: 8
- Under Investigation: 1
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- COVID Minute: April 15 with Public Health Lab
  - In today’s COVID Minute, Public Health Lab Manager Jeremy Corrigan talks about the lab’s test capacity, turnaround time and announces a new test processing method coming soon to the Public Health lab.

HCOE COVID-19 RESOURCES:

- Website