

NEWS ALERTS AND UPDATES – August 11, 2020

NATIONAL:

- **Total cases 5,064,171 (+40,522)**
- **Total deaths: 162,407 (+565)**

STATE:

- **Positive cases: 554,160 (+20,251)***
- **Deaths: 10,468 (+109)**

**Note: Today's case counts include backlogged cases that would have been reported in earlier days and weeks and are not an accurate representation of cases reported in the prior 24 hours.*

9,186,279 tests have been conducted.

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Nutrition Services Operational Planning

CDE has published a page of considerations for serving meals while reducing the risk of COVID-19 at school breakfast and lunch programs. [View the page.](#)

Upcoming Webinars

- **Thursday, Aug. 13, 2 p.m.** – Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan – Q&A Session
[Registration Information](#)

LOCAL:

August 11, 2020 – Seven New Cases Reported Today

Humboldt County's total number of residents who have tested positive for COVID-19 now stands at 293, after seven new cases were reported today.

Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Teresa Frankovich reminds the community that a stocked emergency kit is important to have on hand for all kinds of events, including the COVID-19 pandemic.

“Many of the supplies that are recommended to keep on hand for unexpected emergencies such as earthquakes and power outages can be just as useful during a pandemic,” Dr. Frankovich said. “Keeping a store of non-perishable food and extra prescription medications can come in handy if someone in your home becomes ill with COVID-19 and everyone needs to stay put during quarantine.”

The following information is based on the most recent data available for all confirmed cases:

[Humboldt County Dashboard](#)

Daily COVID-19 case report

- Total number of positive cases: 293 (+7)
- Total number of recovered cases: 233 (no chg)
- Total number of hospitalizations: 19 (no chg)
- Total number of deaths: 4 (no chg)

Total tests conducted: 17,653

Overall Alert Level: 3

Follow local and state health orders and guidance.

- Level 1 New Normal - Cases are somewhat sporadic, and contact tracing can be used to control the virus. Take everyday enhanced precautions.
- Level 2 Moderate Risk - Moderate number of cases with majority of cases from a known source. Increase efforts to limit personal exposure.
- Level 3 High Risk - Many cases with conditions for community spread, with many undetected cases likely. Limit everyday activities to increase safety.
- Level 4 Very High Risk - Widespread outbreak that is growing with many undetected cases. Take strong measures to limit all contact.

Public Health Laboratory testing Information

- Supply capacity: Approximately 2,250 tests
- Testing capacity: 75 samples per day
 - 24-72 hours
- Positivity Rate: 3.2%*
*over past week

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT:**Free COVID Testing in McKinleyville on Aug. 17**

Free testing will be available in McKinleyville at Pierson Park on Monday, Aug. 17. The site will provide the less-intrusive anterior nasal swab and will be offered to all ages. Call 707-268-2503 to schedule your appointment.

Eviction Prevention Program

From the [Humboldt County DHHS](#): Money to pay for missed rent or mortgage is available to qualifying county residents who have fallen behind on their house payments because of COVID-19 pandemic-related income loss. [Learn more.](#)

ICYMI: State Releases Guidance on Youth Sports; County Seeks More Information

The Office of the California Governor and California Department of Public Health recently released guidance on youth sports, but left key questions unanswered. The Humboldt County Joint Information Center (JIC) is working with the state to clarify requirements. Read the full release [here](#).

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Check out our [COVID webpages](#) for latest information.