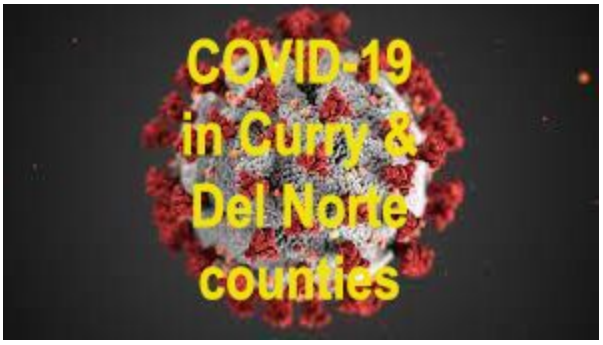
Del Norte Triplicate

NEWS

The 8 a.m. Report: COVID-19 in Curry and Del Norte counties

August 17, 2020



This is our daily COVID-19 report for Curry and Del Norte counties; our last report was published at 8 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 14. (There were no reports over the weekend)

The Short Report

There was one new confirmed case in Del Norte County, and two new cases reported in Curry County on Friday. There were no additional reports over the weekend.

Curry County reported two new cases. Details below.
Del Norte reported one new positive test and provided a press release. Details below.
Pelican Bay's published numbers did not change. Details below.

Curry County

On Aug. 14, Curry County Public Health received notification of two new cases of COVID-19. Both case notifications came through the official medical record system provided by the Oregon Health Authority. Both individuals are Curry County residents, whom are family related, have been notified, are self-isolating and monitoring their symptoms at home.

As of Aug. 14, the total verified number of positive cases is currently 19, with 14 recovered cases, 5 active cases, zero hospitalizations and zero deaths.

Curry County Public Health is investigating all cases to identify contacts and exposures and to isolate and monitor all individuals relevant to the cases. Public Health will reach out to anyone suspected of exposure to COVID-19.

Curry County Public Health will only post confirmed positive cases once the official lab results are received, verified and confirmed by the Health Officer. Public Health will continue to keep the public informed with all the information we can in order to keep our citizens safe.

Curry County updates its data on Facebook from time to time and also reports basic information HERE.

Del Norte County

There was one new positive case reported to Public Health on Friday, Aug. 14, bringing the total number of active cases to 14. The case is still under investigation and contact tracing is underway. Of the active cases, one is hospitalized for COVID symptoms and the rest are self-isolating at home.
Also a press release was sent out Friday, alerting the community to a potential exposure. The press release can be found HERE.

New confirmed COVID-19 cases: 1
Current Hospitalizations: 1

Total tests: 6476
Total confirmed cases: 106
Total active cases: 14
Total inactive cases: 92
Total hospitalizations: 3
Total deaths: 0

Transmission
Contact to a Known Case: 55 cases (52%)
Travel-Acquired: 8 cases (8%)
Community Transmission: 40 cases (38%)
Under Investigation: 3 cases (2%)

Gender
Males: 57 cases (54%)
Females: 49 cases (46%)

Age Range
0-17 years: 22 cases (21%)
18-49 years: 56 cases (53%)
50-64 years: 20 cases (19%)
65+ years: 8 cases (7%)

Mean Age: 37

Symptomatic Cases: 57 cases (54%)
Asymptomatic Cases: 48 cases (46%)

Passive Case Finding: 57 cases (54%)
Active Case Finding: 49 cases (46%)

For more information about these numbers visit the county's COVID-19 website at http://www.covid19.dnco.org

Pelican Bay State Prison

Pelican Bay State Prison is located in Del Norte County, but nearly a third of the facility's staff live in Curry County.

The California Dept. of Corrections and Rehabilitation reports results of its testing to the Public Health department in Del Norte County. If employees live outside Del Norte County, the health department passes that information on to the county of residence.

CDCR is still reporting zero inmate cases, 26 staff cases (24 from mandatory testing in July and two from May), with all but 18 staff returned to work

So far, no inmates at the prison have tested positive. CDCR publishes COVID-19 related information regularly HERE.

About Our Report

Our morning report, published at about 8 a.m., is part of our effort to provide the communities served by the Curry Coastal Pilot and Del Norte Triplicate with the latest relevant information about COVID-19.

Although the communities we serve are in two different counties and two different states, residents frequently travel to neighboring communities for work, shopping and recreation. The virus is not contained by city, county or state boundaries. And we all need to know the rules at play in the jurisdictions we might visit.

Unless there is urgent information that must be shared, we plan to make just one post daily with the best information we can gather — and compile what is relevant for our Friday print editions.

If you have a suggestion for information you would like to see in this daily report, please send an email to: piloteditor@countrymedia.net.

Unfortunately, all jurisdictions do not report information in the same format, so some information has not been provided for us to share and there is sometimes a lag in the time information is reported locally and when it is compiled into state or national statistics.

What you need to know about COVID-19:

Anyone can have mild to severe symptoms.
Older adults and people who have severe underlying medical conditions like heart or lung disease or diabetes seem to be at higher risk for developing more serious complications from COVID-19 illness.

Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

Fever or chill
Cough
Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
Fatigue
Muscle or body aches
Headache
New loss of taste or smell
Sore throat
Congestion or runny nose
Nausea or vomiting
Diarrhea

Testing - updated

Del Norte County provides a website HERE with information about testing, which includes some options for Oregon residents, as well as California residents. Testing may also be available through Sutter Coast Hospital in Crescent City.

CVS Pharmacy in Crescent City also provides testing, appointment required, for California residents only. Information HERE.

In Curry County, check this website for testing information. Also the State of Oregon has a new website HERE to assist you in finding testing (does not include California locations).