

Sutter Coast hospital strained, urges public to avoid large gatherings

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In a August 5 press release, Sutter Coast Hospital says their resources are strained due to a surge in COVID-19 cases; and is asking the public to forgo large gatherings and cancel events when possible.

"Sutter Coast Hospital has seen a significant increase in the number of COVID positive patients seeking emergency medical care, which has required the hospital to activate its surge plan. This has put an enormous strain on community and hospital resources, and with the high transmission that we are seeing in the community, we expect this number will continue to rise unless our community does something to alter the current situation."

"Therefore we would like to support the statement put out earlier this week by Del Norte County Public Health and the Del Norte Office of Emergency Services recommending that our residents do not attend large gatherings at this time. It is vital that the community do everything possible to reduce the spread of this virus including postponing events whenever possible. If you must go out, please wear a mask, wash your hands frequently and maintain six feet of space between yourself and those not in your household. Also, for those eligible, get vaccinated as soon as possible."

Following the hospital's announcement, city officials asked the Downtown Divas to postpone their monthly First Friday event, which they did. According to an August 5 Facebook post, Lucky 7 Casino has also reimplemented COVID-19 precautions including:

- South Casino entrance at the back of the property open
- Temperature scans at the entrance
- Face masks mandatory
- Hand sanitizer stations throughout the property
- Restaurant to-go only; please place your order over the phone; curbside pickup available