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COVID-19 CONFIRMED POSITIVE

Inyo County has ninth confirmed positive COVID-19 case

INYO COUNTY, April 1, 2020 – Inyo County's Public Health Officer, Dr. James Richardson, received notification this morning from Northern Inyo Healthcare District regarding a positive COVID-19 test for an Inyo County resident. This is the **ninth** positive COVID-19 case in Inyo County. The patient presented to Northern Inyo Healthcare District's Rural Health Clinic with symptoms associated with COVID-19, and was tested for COVID-19 based on symptoms and other risk-factors.

Inyo County Public Health is working to determine the source of the infection, and conducting a thorough investigation to identify potential exposures and notify contacts. At this time the patient is currently isolated at home. As of March 31, Inyo County has 19 tests pending and 63 negative cases. Due to the volume of tests being analyzed currently in California, the turnaround time can take several days.

The public **must** continue to practice preventative measures, such as avoiding contact with sick individuals, wash hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds, practicing social distancing, and adherence to State and County Orders. If you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, such as fever, coughing or shortness of breath, and think you may have had contact with a person with COVID-19, call your health care provider before seeking medical care so that appropriate precautions can be taken.

Please familiarize yourself with Inyo County's Public Health Orders and CA Executive Order: <u>https://www.inyocounty.us/covid-19/orders-directives</u>

- Prohibition Of Certain Short-Term Rentals
- Businesses Operating During COVID-19
- Self-Isolation & Self Quarantine Order
- Temporary Prohibition Of Non-Essential Public Gatherings
- CA Stay At Home Executive Order

The County of Inyo, Northern Inyo Healthcare District, and Unified Command partners are committed to keeping Inyo County residents up to date with the most accurate information. You are encouraged to visit <u>https://www.inyocounty.us/covid-19</u> for the most recent press releases and community updates. You can also register your email so you receive all Inyo County COVID-19 information by clicking either Situation Update or Press Releases from the left-side menu.