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COVID-19 Public Health Update

Union County, Oregon — Center for Human Development (CHD) public health is reporting no new cases. The total case count remains 369.

Over the past three weeks, demand for COVID-19 testing has increased greatly across the state and nation. This has directly impacted the laboratories ability to process and release results as expected. Due to this significant delay the Center for Human Development will be temporarily suspending testing and testing clinics. Testing will be limited to individuals identified through investigations or individuals that meet Oregon State Public Health Lab criteria. We are currently still experiencing significant delays in receiving lab results on previous tests. Notifications will be made as quickly as possible.

Testing is still being offered throughout the community. If you are interested in being tested we encourage you to contact your primary care provider.

It is vital that workplaces support employees who are required to quarantine and not ask them to go to work in these situations. We ask that local employers to make it easy for people to make the choice to stay home by promoting working from home when possible, applying paid sick leave policies liberally, and linking employees to any workplace resources available. We also realize that for many employers and employees that this is a difficult situation. Multiple resources are available through wraparound services to include financial assistance, food bank information, grocery pickup/delivery, health insurance, and Veterans services. Information is available by calling 541-663-4252 or covidwrapsvcs@union-county.org

A reminder to our community face coverings will be required in all indoor places open to the public throughout all of Oregon, effective today July 1st. Over the past month, COVID-19 has continued to spread in urban and rural communities. Mask, Face Shield, Face Covering Guidance and a “Mask Required” sign for businesses are available through the following links:

<https://sharedsystems.dhsoha.state.or.us/DHSForms/Served/1e2351j.pdf>

<https://sharedsystems.dhsoha.state.or.us/DHSForms/Served/1e2728.pdf>

People who have mild signs of COVID-19 should stay home, unless the signs of illness are serious enough they would normally seek health care. Call your health care provider before going in. Make a plan for how to be seen, while also avoiding spread of the illness to others.

Individuals who feel very ill should seek appropriate care. If it is an emergency, call 911. For information on when to seek emergency medical attention visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>. If it is not an emergency but you feel sick enough to need a medical appointment, call your primary care provider. If you don't have a doctor, call 211 for a list of providers near you.

If you need further general information about COVID-19, please visit our webpage www.chdinc.org/covid19 or call 211.

COVID-19 Union County update 7/10/2020

Total Cases- 369

Recovered- 46 *

Deaths- 2

** Due to the progression of cases in the state, the OHA has reported that they are no longer making these calls or assessing this information. Recovered data is still being reported on the OHA website but may not be reflective of actual recovery rates.*

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