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Two Additional COVID-19 Related Deaths Reported in Kings County

HANFORD, CA – The Kings County Department of Public Health (KCDPH) has received confirmation of two additional Novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) associated deaths in Kings County. The exposure of the patients is determined to be close contact to a confirmed case. These individuals were over the age of 65 years old.

“It is with heavy hearts that we report two additional COVID-19 related deaths in Kings County. We want to express our condolences to the loved ones these individuals leave behind.” stated Edward Hill, Director of the Kings County Department of Public Health. “As we continue to make our way through this pandemic, we want to remind everyone of the importance of protecting themselves as well as all those around them from this disease.”

The KCDPH confirmed 32 additional cases of a resident being diagnosed with COVID-19. Of the 32 new cases, seven of them are associated to the positive case count for Friday, June 26th and the remaining 25 additional cases reflect today’s case count. KCDPH has determined that one of the new cases contracted the disease through close contact with a confirmed case. The exposure of the additional 31 remaining new cases is still under investigation. Of the total active cases, there are 34 cases being treated in isolation, and all other cases have been quarantined.

The below list depicts the current situation in Kings County:

- Total Kings County (non-correctional) Cases: 1,090
- Total Cases Associated to Skilled Nursing Facilities in Kings County: 128
- Total Cases Associated to State Operated Correctional Facilities in Kings County: 1,132
- Contact Tracing
 - 5 (Travel Related)
 - 1,801 (Close Contact)
 - 195 (Community Transmission)
 - 349 (Under Investigation)

- Total Deaths: 24
- Recovered: 1,418

KCDPH is currently conducting communicable disease investigations to identify any persons who may have had close personal contact with these individuals, including any friends, family members, or health care professionals, to assess and monitor them for signs and symptoms of illness. Due to privacy laws, no specific information regarding any of the 2,350 cases can be shared with the public.

Kings County residents are encouraged to continue following the recommendations from the California Department of Public Health, the Centers of Disease Control, and the KCDPH to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in Kings County and protect themselves and others from respiratory illnesses:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unclean hands.
- Stay in your home as much as possible.
- Wear a face mask or covering, and practice social distancing of at least six feet if it is necessary to leave your home.
- Limit close contact, like kissing and sharing cups or utensils, with people who are sick.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, or your elbow.

Visit www.kingscovidinfo.com for current information and guidance.