

COVID-19: Command

Lassen County
Public Health

Press Release FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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SUBJECT: Lassen County Skilled Nursing Facility Outbreak

On Thursday, December 3, 2020 the Lassen County Public Health Department received notice of a series of positive COVID-19 cases associated with Skilled Nursing Facility patients resulting in an outbreak. Over the weekend two patients passed away.

Lassen County Public Health takes confidentiality very seriously and at this time we are not releasing any further information about the individuals. Lassen County has a small population and it is our priority to maintain privacy and adhere to the Healthcare Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

We extend our deepest condolences to their loved ones.

It continues to be critical that individuals and organizations act to slow the spread of the virus by following all applicable guidance and recommendations from the California Department of Public Health, and carefully review new recommendations issued by the State by visiting COVID19.ca.gov.

If you feel like you or someone you care for is exhibiting symptoms, please contact your provider.

Please do not hesitate to contact our Behavioral Health staff if you need someone to talk to at (888) 530-8688.