

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE** 

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Birgitta E. Corsello, County Administrator

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Subject: Significant Issues Update

## **COVID-19 disease continues to significantly impact Solano County**

Solano County is continuing to see very high COVID-19 disease rates, test positivity rates, hospitalization numbers and ICU admissions. At present, New Year's Eve and Day events are becoming increasingly reported, together with ongoing reports of events during the Christmas weekend.

The County has been averaging over 350 cases per day during the past week, and Public Health recorded nearly 1100 cases over the prior three days (360 cases per day). To date, the County has had 23,314 total cases and 2297 active cases as of today, January 11, 2021. The County's COVID-19 death total remains at 102.

The County's test positivity rate has been in the range of 25-30 percent, which means that we have been testing 1200-1700 people per day in the County. Testing delays (for scheduling) are averaging several days at both healthcare sites and the OptumServe sites, and results are being reported with a delay of 2-3 days, typically. The OptumServe testing bus (our County's third OptumServe site) will be in Solano County on Tuesday and Wednesday this week (at 275 Beck Avenue); it will operate from 7 am to 7 pm, will take walk-ins if slots are available, and can test 525 people per day. To date, we have tested 40% (179,755) of the County's residents, and we have performed over 231,000 tests.

The impact on our hospitals has been severe. There have been over 170 people hospitalized daily (daily census, not new hospitalizations) in the County for COVID during the past week, representing about one-third of the hospital capacity for Solano. ICU bed availability has been fluctuating in the range of as high as 20% to as low as 4% daily. It is anticipated that these high rates of disease, test positivity, hospitalization and ICU bed impact will continue for at least the next two to three weeks.

 
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