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13 New Cases of COVID-19 Reported Today

The total number of county residents who have tested positive for COVID-19 now stands at 1,387, after 13 new cases were reported today.

Intensive Care Unit (ICU) bed capacity in the Northern California region, of which Humboldt County is a part, dropped today to 21% from 25.8% yesterday. If the region's ICU bed availability drops below 15%, the state's Regional Stay Home Order will take effect.

Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Ian Hoffman said, "Given our small number of ICU beds, if we filled roughly eight more ICU beds, our region would drop below 15%. Currently, we count on the ability to send patients out of the area if we run out of capacity, but with the rest of the state at very low or no capacity, that may not be an option."

The Statewide ICU Bed Availability metric has been added to the "Current Hospital Information" dataset of the Humboldt County Data Dashboard (humboldtgov.org/dashboard). This measures the capacity of available ICU beds across the entire state, which currently stands at 2.1%.

The Southern California and San Joaquin regions currently report 0% ICU capacity. The Bay Area region is at 12.8% reported capacity, and the Greater Sacramento region is at 14.5% capacity, leaving the Northern California region the only one not subject to the state Regional Stay Home Order.

For the most recent COVID-19 information, visit cdc.gov or cdph.ca.gov. Local information is available at humboldtgov.org or during business hours by contacting covidinfo@co.humboldt.ca.us or calling 707-441-5000.

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