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**COVID-19 Press Bulletin for 9-21-2020**

Carson City, NV — Today, Caleb Cage, Nevada COVID-19 Response Director and Julia Peek, Deputy Administrator of Community Health Services, provide updates on Nevada's ongoing COVID-19 response, testing and reporting during a teleconference with members of the media.

This bulletin provides facts, figures, and informational items from the call. As a reminder, data is provided in a dashboard on the home page of the [Nevada Health Response](#) website and can be accessed 24 hours a day.

**SUMMARY:**

- As of today, Nevada has logged 76,036 cases, an increase of 232 new cases. 128 or 55.2% were in Clark County, 92 or 39.7% were in Washoe County, and 12 or 5.1% were spread throughout the State.
- Nevada has now completed a total of 988,019 molecular tests since the beginning of COVID-19, an increase of 3,352 since yesterday.
- The cumulative test positivity rate is at 10.0%. The daily positivity rate is 6.1%.
- For the most recent 7-day period, cases are growing at a rate of 0.4%, or 317 new cases per day. For comparison, the growth rate for the 7-day period ending July 31 was 2.3%, or 1,037 new cases per day.

- Nevada has 449 hospitalized COVID-19 patients as of yesterday, September 20, 2020. This includes 355 confirmed patients and 94 suspected patients. Statewide hospital occupancy rates are 69% while intensive care units (ICU) are at an occupancy rate of 58%. About 32% of the ventilators statewide are in use right now for all patients.
- Relative demand placed on statewide hospitals by COVID is as follows:
  - 10% of all hospitalizations
  - 22% of all ICU admissions
  - 8% of ventilator inventory
- Douglas, Humboldt, Lander, Lincoln, Lyon, Mineral and Pershing counties all report zero COVID-19 hospitalizations
- Since the beginning of COVID in Nevada to today, the State has identified a total of 18,798 cases as a result of contact tracing efforts statewide. This represents 24.7% of the total cases reported to date.
- From 9/14 to 9/20, Deloitte agents logged a total of 6,680 calls.
- Since the start of the State's COVID surge staffing on June 18th, tracers have logged a total of 92,575 calls.
- Since the start of the Nevada Contact Tracing & Tracking project, 15,884 contact trace reports have been completed, with 12,460 contacts showing no symptoms and 3,424 contacts showing symptoms during their quarantine.
- For the week of September 13<sup>th</sup>, Deloitte agents completed 1,124 contract trace reports, with 845 contacts showing no symptoms and

279 contacts showing symptoms.

- The COVID Trace app has been downloaded 35,406 times as of yesterday.

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