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**6/24/2020 Baca County COVID-19 Update:  New Positive Baca County Cases**

**Please take the time to read and understand this entire message.**

**New COVID-19 positive case**

 Baca County Public Health Agency was notified on 6/23/2020 that there is are two new laboratory confirmed cases in Baca County.

Out of respect for patient privacy, we will only release the following information (No other information will be released at this time):

* The patient
	+ Is a resident of Baca County.
	+ Was placed into isolation after receiving the positive test results.
	+ Close contacts have been placed in quarantine.
	+ age:  50’s
	+ Is recovering.
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	+ Is a resident of Baca County.
	+ Was placed in isolation after receiving the positive test result
	+ Close Contacts have been placed in quarantine.
	+ Age: 60’s
	+ Is recovering.

**Baca County case numbers updates:** Our current COVID-19 case counts for Baca County are as follows (as of the time of this writing Friday, 6/24/2020):

* 9- Laboratory Confirmed
* 5- Presumptive Positive Cases
* TOTAL Baca County Cases: 14
* Depending on report timing, BCPHA’s totals may not exactly reflect CDPHE’s totals on their website (Here is the website: <https://covid19.colorado.gov/data/case-data>)
	+ Scroll down until you see the Colorado map, and then select “Case Counts” from the dropdown box on the upper right side of the map.

**Colorado numbers updates:** (Note: this summary only includes data through 4 pm on 6/22/2020 and does not reflect cases since then)

* 30,893 Cases
* 5,366 hospitalized (view hospital data: <https://covid19.colorado.gov/hospital-data>)
* 60 counties (view incidence and epidemic curve data:   <https://covid19.colorado.gov/data/incidence-epidemic-curve>)
* 288,079 people tested
* 1,665 deaths among cases (view surveillance data:  <https://covid19.colorado.gov/data/surveillance-data>)
* 1,455 deaths due to COVID-19

**What can you do RIGHT NOW?**

* Read, understand, and comply with public health orders!  Public health orders can be found here: <https://covid19.colorado.gov/covid-19-in-colorado/public-health-executive-orders-resource>
* Stay home if you are sick and, if needed, call your medical provider.
* Wear an appropriate mask if you must go out for an essential activity.
* If you are in a high risk group, take extra precautions.
* Cover your cough and/or sneeze.
* Keep your fingers and hands away from your face.
* Wash your hands a lot.
* Stay informed by trusted and reliable sources.  Be careful about believing what you read on social media sites.  Trusted sources/websites:
	+ BCPHA:   <https://www.bacacountyco.gov/covid-19-information/>
	+ Centers for Disease Control:  <https://www.cdc.gov>
	+ Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment:  <https://covid19.colorado.gov/cdphe>
* Do these things so you will be prepared, and not scared.