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Rock Island County Health Department reports 3 deaths, 19 new cases of COVID-19

The Rock Island County Health Department reports three additional deaths from COVID-19: a woman in her 60s, a woman in her 80s and a man in his 70s. All three had been living in long-term care facilities. The total number of deaths in Rock Island County from this virus is now 63.

“We know of 31 COVID-19 patients who died in August, including three today,” said Nita Ludwig, administrator of the Rock Island County Health Department. “We send our condolences to their loved ones. Many of these residents were living in long-term care facilities. We all must follow public health guidelines of wearing a mask, keeping at least 6 feet between us and others and washing our hands frequently to keep our most vulnerable residents — and all of us — as safe as possible.”

In addition, the health department reports 19 new COVID-19 cases, bringing the total number to 2,266. Currently, 15 patients are hospitalized in Rock Island County.

The new cases are:
- 3 men in their 70s
- 2 men in their 60s
- 1 man in his 50s
- 1 man in his 40s
- 3 men in their 30s
- 1 man in his 20s
- 1 woman in her 80s
- 3 women in their 60s
- 3 women in their 20s
- 1 girl in her teens

No additional information regarding these cases is available due to federal privacy laws.

We all must continue to do our part to prevent further spread of COVID-19 by:
- Washing your hands frequently
- Watching your distance. Keep at least 6 feet between you and anyone else
- Wearing a face covering when you must go out

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