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Rock Island County Health Department reports 1 death, 50 new cases of COVID-19

The Rock Island County Health Department reports the 100th death of a Rock Island County resident: a man in his 70s who had been hospitalized.

“We reached a grim milestone today,” said Janet Hill, chief operating officer of the Rock Island County Health Department. “We send our sympathies to his family and friends.

“Earlier in the pandemic, many, but not all, of our deaths were residents of long-term care facilities. Now, we are seeing more people die at home or after being taken to the hospital because of suddenly worsening symptoms. You won’t know how your body will react to this virus until after you get it, and it might be too late then. Please take the precautions you’ve heard us talk about since March to prevent more suffering and death: wear a mask, keep 6 feet between you and others, and wash your hands frequently.”

In addition, the department reports 50 new cases, bringing the total to 4,132. Currently 26 patients are in the hospital.

The new cases are:
- 1 man in his 90s
- 1 man in his 80s
- 2 men in their 70s
- 5 men in their 60s
- 6 men in their 50s
- 2 men in their 40s
- 3 men in their 30s
- 4 men in their 20s
- 2 men in their teens
- 1 boy in his teens
- 2 boys younger than 13
- 1 boy infant younger than 1
- 1 woman in her 70s
- 1 woman in her 60s
- 3 women in their 50s
- 3 women in their 40s
- 3 women in their 30s
- 3 women in their 20s
- 1 woman in her teens
- 3 girls in her teens
- 2 girls younger than 13
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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