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Rock Island County Health Department reports record 244 new cases of COVID-19

The Rock Island County Health Department reports 244 new COVID-19 cases, bringing the total number to 5,984. Currently, 54 patients are hospitalized with COVID-19 in Rock Island County. Both the daily case count and the number of hospitalizations are all-time highs since the start of the pandemic. The total number of deaths from this virus remains at 109.

"I don't know how much clearer we can be," said Nita Ludwig, administrator of the Rock Island County Health Department. "The number of COVID-19 cases have spiraled out of control. You heard our hospital systems sound their alarms last week, and since then, our numbers have gotten worse.

"We are in a desperate situation, and we need your help," Ludwig said. "If you have the virus, you must stay home for 10 days after your symptoms start. If you have been told you are a close contact to a sick person, you must stay home for 14 days from the most recent contact you had had with that person. Please do not leave your home, except to seek urgent medical care. And then before leaving, please call your primary medical provider first to seek guidance on the best way to care for you."

The new cases are:
- 5 women in their 80s
- 8 women in their 70s
- 17 women in their 60s
- 14 women in their 50s
- 21 women in their 40s
- 27 women in their 30s
- 24 women in their 20s
- 4 women in their teens
- 7 girls in their teens
- 5 girls younger than 13
- 1 man in his 90s
- 2 men in their 80s
- 3 men in their 70s
- 17 men in their 60s
- 20 men in their 50s
- 18 men in their 40s
- 10 men in their 30s
- 25 men in their 20s
- 3 men in their teens
- 7 boys in their teens
- 6 boys 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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