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**Rock Island County Health Department reports 8 additional deaths, 30 new cases of COVID-19**

The Rock Island County Health Department is reporting eight additional deaths from COVID-19: one man in his 80s and one woman in her 80s, both of whom died at home; and one man in his 90s, two men in their 80s, one man in his 70s, one woman in her 90s and one woman in her 80s, all of whom had been living in long-term-care facilities.

The total number of deaths in the county from this virus now is 266.

“We send our deepest condolences to the loved ones of these residents,” said Nita Ludwig, administrator of the Rock Island County Health Department.

In addition, the health department reports 30 new COVID-19 cases, bringing the total number to 10,996. Currently, 43 patients are hospitalized with COVID-19 in Rock Island County.

The new cases are:

- 2 women in their 80s
- 3 women in their 70s
- 2 women in their 60s
- 1 woman in her 50s
- 1 woman in her 40s
- 2 women in their 30s
- 6 women in their 20s
- 1 girl in her teens
- 2 men in their 60s
- 2 men in their 50s
- 2 men in their 40s
- 2 men in their 30s
- 3 men in their 20s
- 1 boy younger than 13

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

Remember, you control how you respond to COVID-19:

- Stay home as much as possible and especially when ill
- Wear a face covering when you must go out for essential supplies
- Keep at least 6 feet between you and anyone else
- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer

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