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Rock Island County Health Department reports 2 deaths, 8 new cases of COVID-19

The Rock Island County Health Department reports two COVID-19 deaths: a man in his 70s who had been hospitalized and a woman in her 50s who had been living in a long-term-care facility. The total number of deaths from this virus in the county is now 330.

"We are sad to report two more deaths from this virus," said Nita Ludwig, administrator of the Rock Island County Health Department. "We send our heartfelt sympathies to their family and friends.

The health department also reports eight new cases of COVID-19. The total number of cases is 14,966. Currently, five patients are hospitalized in the county with the virus. The average age of the newly reported cases is 25.

The new cases are:

- 1 man in his 30s
- 1 boy in teens
- 3 boys younger than 13
- 2 women in their 40s
- 1 woman in her 30s

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:

- Getting vaccinated as soon as you can. Visit vaccines.gov to find your shot. RICHD offers walk-in vaccines on Tuesdays (Moderna and Johnson & Johnson) and Fridays (Pfizer). The hours for both days are 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m.
- Staying home when you are sick
- Wearing a face covering if you have not been fully vaccinated
- Keeping 6 feet of physical distance from others in public if you have not been fully vaccinated.
- Washing your hands frequently

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