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Carson City, NV — Today, Julia Peek, Deputy Administrator of Community Health Services, provided updates on the ongoing COVID-19 response in Nevada during a daily teleconference with members of the media.

This bulletin provides facts, figures, and informational items from the call. As a reminder, data is provided in a dashboard on the home page of the [Nevada Health Response](https://www.nvhealthresponse.nv.gov) website and can be accessed 24 hours a day.

SUMMARY:

- As of today, Nevada has logged 44,936 cases, an increase of 1,105 cases since yesterday. Nevada has completed a total of 585,736 molecular tests since the beginning of COVID-19, that is an increase of 10,309 since yesterday.
- The cumulative test positivity rate is 10%. The daily positivity rate is 18.1%.
- For the most recent 7-day period ending July 27th, cases are growing at a rate of 2.6%, or 1,058 new cases per day. For comparison, the growth rate for the 7-day period ending June 30 was 3.9%, or 644 new cases per day. The growth rate for the 7-day period ending May 31 was 1.4%, or 116 new cases per day.

- Nevada has recorded an additional 20 deaths today. Please note that the death rates we are seeing now correspond to cases diagnosed up to 5 weeks ago.
- Nevada has remained in a range of 1,100 – 1,150 hospitalized COVID-19 patients for the past week, according to the Nevada Hospital Association.
- The need for intensive care, mechanical ventilation or high-flow nasal cannula oxygen therapy has also remained relatively flat for the past 14-days. The 40 to 80-year-old age group continues to make-up the bulk of all hospitalizations.
- Nevada has 1,147 hospitalized COVID-19 patients as of yesterday, July 27, 2020. Statewide hospital occupancy rates are 73% while adult intensive care units (ICU) are at an occupancy rate of 64%. About 41% of the ventilators statewide are in use right now for all patients.
- Since the State's first case of COVID-19 through yesterday, we have identified 6,894 new COVID-19 cases (43,831) as a result of contact tracing. This represents 15.3% of the total to date.
- This means that contact tracers were able to identify more than 6,800 people who may not have known they were exposed to a positive case, who were then able to get tested and get connected to resources.
- In regard to contact tracing efforts, as reported last week, the surge staffing through our partners at Deloitte is supporting the contact tracing in Clark County solely right now. They have been communicating with close contacts 12-hours/day, 7-days per week to complement the same efforts by state and local staff statewide.

- A total of 30,922 calls have been logged from June 18 through yesterday.
- Deloitte agents logged a total of 530 calls as of 8 PM PST on July 27th. Of these calls, there were 65 inbound calls received and 465 outbound calls made. Deloitte's SMS campaign resulted in 829 total SMS (text) messages sent, with 440 unique outbound communications and an 87% response rate from unique contacts.
- Given the increase in numbers it is extremely important to social distance, wear a mask, not socialize in big groups, and maintain general hygiene and cleanliness.

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