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**COVID-19 Press Bulletin for 11-4-2020**

Carson City, NV — Today, Caleb Cage, Nevada COVID-19 Response Director and Julia Peek, Deputy Administrator of Community Health Services, provided updates on Nevada's ongoing COVID-19 response, testing and reporting during a 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 104,093 cases, an increase of 1,068 new cases since yesterday.
  - 743 or approx. 69.6% were in Clark County.
  - 249 or approx. 23.3% were in Washoe County.
  - 76 or approx. 7.1% were throughout the rest of the State.
  
- For the most recent 7-day period, cases are growing at a rate of 0.9%, or 945 new cases per day.
  
- Nevada has now completed a total of 1,286,206 molecular tests since the beginning of COVID-19.
  
- The test positivity rate over the last 14 days is 11.2%.

- Nevada continues to see a resurgence in COVID-19 related hospitalizations, in both the north and south.
  - Hospitalizations are now at 696 (583 confirmed; 113 suspected)
  - In Northern Nevada, the slope of the current wave is greater. This situation is contributing to stress on the northern Nevada healthcare infrastructure along with increasing all-cause hospitalizations.
  - In Clark County, cases continue to slowly increase. This gradual increase is allowing the healthcare infrastructure to manage COVID-19 cases along with the all-cause demand.
  
- There are several distinct differences between the current resurgence wave and the first wave in late June.
  - The hospitals' PPE situation is in good shape and supply chains are close to normal.
  - Additionally, medical staff now has experience treating what was an unknown novel virus just a few months ago.
  
- Statewide traditional case investigation and contact tracing efforts are ongoing, and Nevadans are encouraged to download the COVID Trace app to their smartphone to supplement those efforts.
  - Since the beginning of COVID in the state to today, a total of 26,085 cases have been identified as a result of contact tracing efforts statewide. This now represents 25% of the total cases reported to date.
  - Related to surge staff efforts, since June 18, 2020, a total of 160,274 calls to close contacts have been logged.
    - Agents logged a total of 2,261 calls as of 8 p.m. PST last night.
  - Related to the text messaging of close contacts, the campaign resulted in 3,146 total text message exchanges, with 1,138

unique outbound communications and an 85% response rate from unique contacts.

- There is a total of 66,595 downloads of the COVID Trace app, as of last night. 14 cases have had the app at the time of diagnosis, with 15 related exposure notifications sent as a result of those cases.
  
- Open enrollment period for health insurance coverage is now open through the [Nevada Health Link](#). It is important for residents to enroll early and ensure they have a plan so they do not miss the opportunity. Open enrollment ends on January 15, 2021.

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