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Carson City, NV — Today, Caleb Cage, Nevada COVID-19 Response Director and Karissa Loper, Bureau Chief for the Bureau of Child, Family, and Community Wellness provided updates on Nevada's ongoing COVID-19 response and vaccination efforts in Nevada during a call 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](#) website.

SUMMARY:

- As of today, Nevada has logged 314,475 cases, with the 14-day rolling average of daily cases being 235.
- Nevada has now completed a total of 3,167,882 molecular tests since the beginning of COVID-19.
- The test positivity rate over the last 14 days is 5.7%.
- Today, the Nevada Hospital Association is reporting there are currently 345 COVID-19 hospitalizations (290 confirmed; 55 suspected).

- The COVID-19 vaccine call center continues to help Nevadans make appointments and inform callers about vaccinations efforts.
- The call center receives about a thousand calls a day, and it takes less than 7 minutes on average to help callers access the information they need.
- Nevadans are encouraged to call 1-800-401-0946 if they need help making an appointment or accessing COVID-19 vaccination information.
- Today, Nevada's [COVID Trace app](#) and Exposure Notification Express reached 1 million activations.
- Nevada was one of the first jurisdictions in the world to develop and deploy this innovative approach to identifying possible exposures to someone that tests positive for COVID-19.
- In August 2020, the State released the COVID Trace app in partnership with the Nevada COVID-19 Response, Relief and Recovery Task Force, Apple, Google and the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services.
- Nevada's exposure notification app was built with privacy and data security as its foundation and uses no personal information.
- To date, about 2,000 individuals have been notified of a likely exposure to someone that later tested positive for COVID-19.
- Once individuals are alerted of the exposure, they are given resources on what to do next. This includes information on isolation, quarantine and connections to testing resources.

- Exposure notifications will continue to be one of the many tools we have to keep Nevadans and our visitors safe from COVID-19.
- As of April 27, 1,835,265 COVID-19 vaccine doses (By Resident County) were administered and reported to Nevada WebIZ.
- Almost 45% of the population 16 and older has initiated vaccination and 31.2% of the population 16 and older has completed vaccination.
- The State Immunization Program and community partners are working to connect with communities across our state to ensure everyone is aware that all Nevadans 16 and older are eligible to be vaccinated for free in a location convenient to them.
- The Nevada State Immunization Program has partnered with Está En Tus Manos (It's In Your Hands), Telemundo Las Vegas, Southern Nevada Health District, Clark County, Immunize Nevada and Walmart to host a COVID-19 vaccination telethon in Spanish tomorrow, April 29, to encourage Nevadans to ask questions and make vaccination appointments.
- The statewide call center has recently added more Spanish-speaking staff to support this effort.
- The telethon will run from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. with the goal of increasing vaccine awareness and access among our Hispanic/Latino communities.
- The Mobile Vaccination Unit or MVU on the Northern route was in Wells yesterday and will be in Jackpot tomorrow from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

- On the Southern route the MVU was at the Paiute Shoshone Tribe in Fallon yesterday and will be in Dyer tomorrow administering vaccines from noon to 6 p.m.
- A reminder these are first come, first serve events and the MVUs are now stocked with both the Pfizer and Janssen vaccines. Pfizer is available to any Nevadan 16 and older and the Janssen will be available to those 18 and older.
- Nevadans are encouraged to check out [NVCovidFighter.org](https://www.nvcovidfighter.org) or call 1-800-401-0946 for the latest information on appointment availability in their county.

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