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COVID-19 Updates

[Medford, Oregon] — The Centers for Disease Control published new science providing additional information that vaccination is our best and safest protection against COVID-19. The new MMWR examined more than 7,000 people across 9 states who were hospitalized with COVID-19-like illness. The findings showed that the study participants were over 5 times more likely to have COVID-19 if they were unvaccinated and had a prior infection than those that were vaccinated.

The data shows that vaccination can provide a higher, more robust, and more consistent level of immunity to protect people from hospitalization for COVID-19 than infection alone for at least 6 months.

"Vaccinations is one of the greatest public health interventions," states Dr. Jim Shames, Health Officer for Jackson County Public Health. "Now we have three COVID-19 vaccines that are safe and highly effective at preventing severe COVID-19 illness and death. Getting vaccinated is going to be the best way to keep yourself and those you love safe and help our community return to normal."

Where to get vaccinated in Jackson County:
Call 211 for information for vaccine locations, visit the Oregon Health Authority Vaccine Finder site https://govstatus.egov.com/find-covid-19-vaccine or visit the Jackson County Health and Human Services https://jacksoncountyor.org/hhs/COVID-19/Vaccine-Appointments/where-to-get-vaccinated-in-jackson-county.

Weekly Number of New COVID-19 Cases
For week 43 (October 24 – October 30), Jackson County Public Health reported 396 new COVID-19 cases. This is a 4% increase from the previous week.

Daily Number of New COVID-19 Cases
As of 12:01 a.m. on November 2, 2021, Jackson County Public Health is reporting 44 new cases of COVID-19, bringing the total cases in Jackson County to 23,621.

COVID-19 Hospitalizations for Region 5 (Jackson and Josephine Counties)
As of 10:00 a.m. on November 2, 2021, the number of hospitalized patients with COVID-19 is 61, and there are 20 patients with COVID-19 in the intensive care unit.

The total number of patients in hospital beds may fluctuate between report times. The numbers do not reflect admissions per day nor the length of hospital stay. Staffing limitations are not captured in this data and may further limit bed capacity.

COVID-19 Related Deaths

Jackson County Public Health reports 10 new COVID-19 deaths, bringing the total to 323 since the beginning of the pandemic. The reported deaths for today cover the past five days.

Jackson County's 314th COVID-19 death is a 71-year-old woman who tested positive on December 31 and died on March 24 at their private residence. They had underlying health conditions.

Jackson County's 315th COVID-19 death is an 89-year-old woman who tested positive on September 8 and died on October 7 at an out-of-state hospital. They had underlying health conditions.

Jackson County's 316th COVID-19 death is a 73-year-old man who tested positive on September 15 and died on October 26 at Providence Medford Medical Center. They had underlying health conditions.

Jackson County's 317th COVID-19 death is an 87-year-old woman who tested positive on October 8 and died on October 27 at Providence Medford Medical Center. They had underlying health conditions.

Jackson County's 318th COVID-19 death is a 79-year-old man who tested positive on October 15 and died on October 30 at Providence Medford Medical Center. They had underlying health conditions.

Jackson County's 319th COVID-19 death is a 47-year-old man who tested positive on October 18 and died on October 27 at Providence Medford Medical Center. They had underlying health conditions.

Jackson County's 320th COVID-19 death is a 56-year-old man who tested positive on October 18 and died on October 28 at Providence Medford Medical Center. They had underlying health conditions.

Jackson County's 321st COVID-19 death is a 43-year-old woman who tested positive on October 18 and died on October 30 at Providence Medford Medical Center. They had underlying health conditions.

Jackson County's 322nd COVID-19 death is a 74-year-old man who tested positive on October 21 and died on October 27 at Providence Medford Medical Center. They had underlying health conditions.

Jackson County's 323rd COVID-19 death is a 63-year-old man who tested positive on October 28 and died on October 31 at Providence Medford Medical Center. They had underlying health conditions.

For more information:
- The public can call 211-information with general questions
- OHA Emerging Respiratory Disease page: www.healthoregon.org/coronavirus
- CDC COVID-19 page: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html
- OHA COVID-19 Vaccine: https://govstatus.egov.com/or-oha-covid-vaccine
- CDC COVID-19 Vaccine: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/index.html
- Jackson County HHS Vaccine: https://jacksoncountyor.org/hhs/COVID-19/COVID-19-News/covid-19-vaccine
- CDC Travel within the U.S.: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/travel-in-the-us.html
- Jackson County Health and Human Services: http://jacksoncountyor.org/hhs/COVID-19
- Oregon COVID-19 Testing Location Finder: https://govstatus.egov.com/or-oha-covid-19-testing

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