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## COVID-19 CONFIRMED 1 NEW POSITIVE CASES

*Inyo County has 1 new confirmed positive COVID-19 case  
bringing the total COVID-19 positive cases to 18*

INYO COUNTY, April 17, 2020 – Inyo County’s Public Health Officer, Dr. James Richardson, received notification this afternoon from Northern Inyo Healthcare District regarding one new positive COVID-19 case for an Inyo County resident. The current total of positive COVID-19 cases in Inyo County is now at **18**. The most recent case presented to Northern Inyo Healthcare District’s Rural Health Clinic with symptoms associated with COVID-19, and was tested for COVID-19 based on symptoms and other risk-factors.

Inyo County Public Health is working to determine the source of the infection, and is conducting investigations to identify potential exposures and notify contacts. At this time the patient is currently isolated. As of April 16, Inyo County has 20 tests pending and 155 negative cases. The turnaround time on test results is approximately 48 hours at this time.

The public **must** continue to practice preventative measures such as wearing a cloth or fabric face mask when conducting essential activities outside the home, avoiding contact with sick individuals, wash hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds, practicing social distancing, and adherence to State and County Orders. If you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, such as fever, coughing or shortness of breath, and think you may have had contact with a person with COVID-19, call your health care provider before seeking medical care so that appropriate precautions can be taken.

The County of Inyo, Northern Inyo Healthcare District, and Unified Command partners are committed to keeping Inyo County residents up to date with the most accurate information. You are encouraged to visit <https://www.inyocounty.us/covid-19> for the most recent press releases and community updates. You can also register your email so you receive all Inyo County COVID-19 information by clicking either Situation Update or Press Releases from the left-side menu.

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