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Trinity County Coronavirus (COVID-19) Health Advisory

TRINITY COUNTY – The Omicron variant spreads very rapidly, and will likely lead to a surge of cases in the coming months. Omicron has been identified in the Bay Area and Greater Sacramento region, but no specific cases have been identified in Trinity County yet. We believe it will be here within the next month.

Cases are rising statewide and will likely be rising over the next few weeks. Minimizing hospitalizations and deaths from COVID-19 are the biggest concerns. Increasing the number of people vaccinated (with primary series and booster doses) will reduce hospitalizations and deaths, and will protect our healthcare systems, our vulnerable populations, our schools, and our communities at large.

Here's what you can do:

- Get a COVID-19 booster if you are eligible! Nearly 2,200 Trinity County residents have already been boosted and the multiple studies are showing that getting boosted provides extra protection from symptomatic disease and hospitalization.
- Get vaccinated if you haven't yet.
- Test if you have any symptoms or if you are going to indoor gatherings, or mixing with people who are at higher risk for more severe disease and death.
- Wear a mask when in public, masks decrease spread.

For more information on COVID-19 Vaccines and Testing please visit <u>https://www.trinitycounty.org/</u>