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Press Release

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September 21th Update – Public Health Announces Fifteenth Confirmed Case of COVID-19 in Huerfano County

Las Animas Huerfano Counties District Health Department has received confirmation that another resident of Huerfano County has tested positive for Coronavirus Disease/COVID-19. Huerfano County now has fifteen cases within the county. Of those fifteen cases **six** are active with one hospitalized.

The positive COVID-19 case in Huerfano County is a male in his 50's who is recovering at home. The Las Animas Huerfano Counties District Health Department public health nurse has begun a contact investigation to determine if there were any additional exposures.

This is a reminder that COVID-19 is still very much present in our community," Las Animas Huerfano County Public Health Director Kim Gonzales said. "This pandemic is a marathon, not a sprint. We are in the Safer at Home Level 1 Cautions, and we want it to be successful. But our success will depend on our ability to remain committed to stopping the spread. This isn't the time to let our guard down. Wear your mask, don't hang out in groups, keep your distance from folks outside your household and stay home if you're sick."

As a reminder, Public Health encourages all residents to take the following COVID-19 prevention steps to protect their health and well-being:

- Wear a face covering when in public indoor spaces, as required per [Executive Order D 2020-138](#)
- Practice social distancing
- Wash hands frequently with soap and water or use hand sanitizer when not available.
- Stay home when sick or if someone in your household is sick
- Get your flu shot

More information can be found at: <https://www.colorado.gov/la-h-health> or at <https://covid19.colorado.gov/>. You can also find information on Facebook at Las Animas Huerfano Counties District Health Department.