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Carson City, NV — Today, Nevada Health Response has provided facts, figures, and informational items related to the COVID-19 response in Nevada. As a reminder, data is provided in a dashboard on the home page of the [Nevada Health Response](https://www.nvhealthresponse.nv.gov) website.

STATUS UPDATE:

- The State of Nevada is making progress in COVID-19 vaccination every day.
- The average daily vaccine doses have increased by more than a hundred a day from the last report and the State is maintaining a plateau and positive vaccination activity.
- Nationally, vaccinations dipped to 878 first doses per 100,000 last week, 4% lower than the week before. Nationwide, 3.6% of unvaccinated people got a first dose last week, slightly higher than the rate in Nevada.
- Currently, 63% of eligible Nevadans have received at least one dose of the vaccine, below the national average of 73%.
- As of Monday, September 6, new COVID-19 cases in Nevada are continuing to decline.
- Cases decreased by 6% over the past two weeks, from an average of 1,118 cases to 1,054.
- Nevada's test positivity remains at 12% statewide, although testing has declined by 2% over the past two weeks.
- Nevada's COVID-related deaths decreased by 16% over the past two weeks.
- Throughout the pandemic different regions of the state have been impacted at different times.
- For example, hospitalizations may be increasing in one region while they remain low in another, or one county has a higher caseload before other counties.

- This week the [Nevada Hospital Association](#) reports that hospitalizations in the northern region and rural areas are climbing after a week of stabilization.
- COVID-19 hospitalizations represent 20 to 25% of all patients hospitalized in the northern and rural areas.
- The majority of these patients are unvaccinated and this high patient count is causing hospitals to issue pleas to their communities to get vaccinated to protect themselves and help maintain needed hospital capacity.
- The State is also seeing higher case counts in our rural areas.
- While less than 10% of the population live in these counties, the percent of confirmed cases is growing.

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

- Tomorrow, September 10, the State Board of Health has a meeting scheduled to review COVID-19 vaccination requirements for Nevada Department of Health and Human Services and Nevada Department of Corrections employees working in certain programs.
- If accepted, State staff and contracted employees working with vulnerable populations in licensed health care facilities, state correctional centers or state facilities for the detention of children, will be required to be fully vaccinated to maintain employment.
- More information on the Board of Health can be found on the website [here](#).

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