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## **Central Utah Public Health Department Confirms First COVID-19 Death in Juab County**

Richfield, UT July 26, 2020 – The Central Utah Public Health Department (CUPHD) was notified on Thursday, July 30, 2020 of the death of a Juab County resident due to COVID-19. The individual who passed away was a female, between the ages of 65 and 84, and was a resident of a long-term care facility. The individual was considered high-risk for COVID-19 and also had underlying health conditions. CUPHD has worked closely with the long-term care facility and routine testing has taken place to identify any additional cases of COVID-19 in the facility residents and staff.

"We are saddened to learn of the death of one of our central Utah residents due to COVID-19." said Nate Selin, CUPHD's Health Officer. "Our sincerest condolences go to their family and friends at this time." CUPHD reminds the public that while COVID-19 is still actively spreading, precautions should be taken to protect all residents, particularly those at highest risk of severe cases of COVID-19. "Although we haven't seen as many cases as other areas in the state or country, we continue to see case counts and hospitalizations rise. We encourage individuals to continue to wear masks when in public, wash their hands regularly, watch their distances to maintain social distancing, and take other precautions to limit the spread of COVID-19." Selin said. Additionally, staying home when you have any symptoms of COVID-19 is critical to limiting the spread of the disease.

For the most up to date information, please visit coronavirus.utah.gov or centralutahpublichealth.org.

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