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Five Additional Grant County Resident Deaths Associated with COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2)

Grant County, WA – Grant County Health District is reporting five (5) additional Grant County residents who died of confirmed COVID-19 disease. **These deaths bring the total Grant County confirmed COVID-19 related deaths to one hundred and twenty (120).**

None of the deaths were associated with a Long-Term Care Facility.

All five residents had underlying conditions putting them at higher risk of severe complications due to a COVID-19 infection:

- Male Moses Lake resident in his 50s
- Female Moses Lake resident in her 60s
- Two male Moses Lake residents in their 60s
- Male Moses Lake resident in his 90s

Out of respect for the families, we will not release any further information about these individuals.

The GCHD family extends our heartfelt sympathies and condolences to the families and friends of the departed.

“This is a painful and ongoing reminder of how COVID-19 continues to needlessly steal lives away from our community. We now have the tools to take the fight to the virus. Vaccines fight COVID spread and decrease death and hospitalizations. So, please, join me and the rest of our community by vaccinating. Continue masking, distance physically when in public, avoid crowds, use a proper hand hygiene, and get vaccinated as soon as possible. We need every Washingtonian doing their part so we can overwhelm the virus and continue regaining our freedoms back,” said Dr. Brzezny, Grant County Health Officer.

Grant County Health District delays the announcement of COVID-19 associated deaths to give families time to notify their loved ones. We also verify COVID-19 is listed as a cause of death on the death certificate to ensure we are not reporting deaths that are not attributed to COVID-19. All reported deaths of Grant County residents are attributed to COVID-19 and were verified with the death certificate, testing, and other case information.

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