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Yellowstone County Reports COVID-19 Related Death

Billings, MT – RiverStone Health, Yellowstone County’s public health department, reports an additional COVID-19 related death of a Yellowstone County resident.

On Friday, August 7, a woman in her 80s, passed away in a Yellowstone County hospital.

To protect the privacy of the deceased and her family, RiverStone Health will not release further information about the death.

This most recent death is reflected on the August 12, 2020 state COVID-19 tracking map.

“Words can’t describe our sorrow for yet another loss of life due to COVID-19. We wish the family and friends of the deceased peace as they grieve,” said John Felton, Yellowstone County Health Officer and RiverStone Health President and CEO.

He went on to say, “With each passing, we are reminded that the risk of severe COVID-19 illness increases with age. Of the 31 deaths recorded in the county, with the exception of two, all individuals who have died, have been over 60 years old. We must all take measures to protect those most vulnerable by wearing masks, watching our distance and washing our hands. Staying home while you are ill and avoiding crowds are also important prevention measures.”

To date, 1,387 Yellowstone County residents have been infected with COVID-19 and 31 have died.

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