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Yellowstone County Announces COVID-19 Related Death

Billings, MT – RiverStone Health, Yellowstone County's public health department, is reporting another COVID-19 related death stemming from the outbreak at Canyon Creek Memory Care.

On Wednesday, July 22, a man in his 70s passed away at Canyon Creek Memory Care.

To protect the privacy of the deceased man and his family, RiverStone Health will release no further information.

This most recent death in Yellowstone County is reflected on today's state COVID-19 tracking map. Since the first deaths at Canyon Creek were announced on Monday, July 6, there have been a total of 14 residents that have passed away due to COVID-19 related illness.

To date, 96 people associated with Canyon Creek Memory Care have tested positive for COVID-19 – 56 residents and 40 staff members.

"The harsh reality of the increasing number of deaths in this senior care residence is heartbreaking, but our pain is nothing compared to every family member who has lost someone to this tragic disease. We wish everyone who has lost someone to COVID-19 comfort and peace as they mourn loved ones," said John Felton, Yellowstone County health officer and RiverStone Health president and CEO.

To date, 780 Yellowstone County residents have been infected with COVID-19 and 20 have died.

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