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Yellowstone County Reports COVID-19 Related Deaths

Billings, MT – RiverStone Health, Yellowstone County’s public health department, reports two additional Yellowstone County residents have died due to COVID-19 related illness.

On Saturday, November 14, a man in his 60s passed away in a Yellowstone County hospital.

On Monday, November 16, a woman in her 60s passed way in a Yellowstone County hospital.

To protect the privacy of the deceased and their families, RiverStone Health will not release further information.

These most recent deaths are reflected on the Tuesday, November 17 state COVID-19 tracking map.

Because of discrepancies with the total number of deaths reported for Yellowstone County on the state COVID-19 tracking map, RiverStone Health continues to work with the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services to reconcile the difference.

“I hope that my thoughts and prayers will support the deceased’s families and friends during this difficult time,” said John Felton, Yellowstone County Health Officer, President and CEO of RiverStone Health.

“For weeks, national experts have been predicting that the COVID-19 pandemic’s darkest days lie ahead. We have already lost more lives than we can bear and I fear that more Yellowstone County residents, more Montanans and more Americans will succumb to this virus if each of us does not heed the simple COVID-19 prevention measures of mask wearing, physical distancing, avoiding crowds, washing hands, and staying home when ill,” said Felton.

To date, 9,241 Yellowstone County residents have been infected with COVID-19 and 105 have died.

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