



**MENDOCINO COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE**

**Media Advisory**

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**Ukiah, California: March 12, 2020**

***Mendocino County Health Officer to Hold Press Conference on 2019  
Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)***

In light of recent news regarding local transmission ("community spread") of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in Northern California, Mendocino County Public Health is working daily to proactively prepare for possible cases in our community in the near future. Mendocino County has ZERO cases of COVID-19. Testing in the County has been ramping up for one week since commercial testing became available to clinics and hospitals. We continue to closely monitor any high risk individuals for COVID-19 who are reported to the Public Health Division. The Health Officer Dr. Noemi Mimi Doohan will hold a press conference updating the community on the COVID-19 situation and in response to yesterday's announcements from the Federal and State governments regarding guidelines for response efforts.

**When:** Thursday, March 12, 2020, at approximately 4:00 p.m.

**Where:** County Administrative Center – **Board Chambers** – 501 Low Gap Road, Ukiah, CA 95482

**Who:** Noemi Mimi Doohan, MD, PhD, Mendocino County Health Officer

**Live Online:** The press conference will be live streamed on the Mendocino County YouTube Channel ([www.youtube.com/MendocinoCountyVideo](http://www.youtube.com/MendocinoCountyVideo)) and Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/mendocinocounty/](http://www.facebook.com/mendocinocounty/)).

This Press Conference forum is designed for media personnel, but the public is welcome to watch from the County's YouTube Channel) or Facebook page. For your benefit and the benefit of our community, we ask that you not attend work, school or community events in person if you have symptoms of influenza or other respiratory illness (i.e. cough, fever).

For more information, please contact the Executive Office at (707) 463-4441.