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ADDITIONAL COVID-19 DEATH

Santa Cruz County, Calif. –Santa Cruz County Public Health regrets to announce an additional death related to COVID-19.

The individual was a male in his early 40s with underlying health conditions who passed away September 17th. He was not vaccinated against COVID-19, and died at home. The cause of death was determined to be COVID-19 by the Santa Cruz County Coroner, and the County offers its condolences to family of this individual.

This is the fifth death since the arrival of the Delta variant, and none of the victims were vaccinated. These deaths are preventable. Eligible unvaccinated residents are encouraged to get a COVID-19 vaccine as soon as possible. Visit www.santacruzhealth.org/coronavirusvaccine or www.santacruzhealth.org/coronavirusvacuna for information on obtaining a free vaccine. Individuals interested in having a vaccine delivered to their home may fill out the homebound vaccine form, accessible at <https://tinyurl.com/yz3thj9>.

The death was the 213th in Santa Cruz County attributable to COVID-19.

For local information on COVID-19, go to www.santacruzhealth.org/coronavirus or call (831) 454-4242 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.