

# COVID-19 WEEKLY UPDATE



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## COVID-19 Updates & Data as of December 18

### Overall screening results for Virginia Garcia

	Negative	Positive	Pending	Total
Hispanic:	4,811	1,243	159	6,213
Non-Hispanic:	2,986	174	60	3,220
Unknown:	660	67	17	744
<b>Total:</b>	<b>8,457</b>	<b>1,484</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>10,177</b>

### Positivity rate for VG

Positivity Rate as of 12/17/2020	Oregon	VG Average Positive Rate	VG 7 day Positive Rate	Positive Rate Change
	4.13% <span style="color: red;">▲</span>	14.93% <span style="color: red;">▲</span>	24.32% <span style="color: green;">▼</span>	-25.51% <span style="color: green;">▼</span>

### Below is a comparison of screening results across Virginia Garcia

	Virginia Garcia	VG WA County	VG Yamhill County
Total Positive Cases	1,484	1,174	310
Positive Cases for week of 12/18/20	91	81	10
Total Deaths	NA	NA	NA
% Change in New Cases (previous 7 Days)	<span style="color: green;">▼</span> -43%	<span style="color: green;">▼</span> -37%	<span style="color: green;">▼</span> -69%

### Below is a comparison of screening results across the nation

	United States	Oregon	Washington County	Yamhill County
Total Positive Cases	17,293,160	98,926	13,991	2,300
Positive Cases for week of 12/18/20	1,571,370	9,100	1,224	231
Total Deaths	311,993	1,283	129	30
% Change in New Cases (previous 7 Days)	2.6%	-13.70%	-23%	-8%

# COVID-19 SCREENING UPDATE

Due to the high demand for COVID-19 tests, Virginia Garcia will only provide screening for established Virginia Garcia patients or individuals who work as migrant or seasonal farmworkers.

**If you want to be screened for COVID-19 at a Virginia Garcia clinic you must first schedule an appointment.** If you are a patient or work as a migrant and seasonal farmworker and would like to schedule an appointment at one of our clinics, please contact the clinic nearest you. **Please do not come to a clinic without an appointment.**

If you are not a Virginia Garcia patient, but would like to become one, please contact Member Services at 503-359-5564, option 3 to establish care. A telehealth visit with a Care Team is required prior to a COVID-19 test.

Free COVID-19 screenings and flu vaccinations are available to the public at our community outreach events taking place around Washington and Yamhill counties. You do not need to be a patient and no appointment is necessary to receive care at these events.

## Mental Health during Covid-19



VG rolled out a new set of animated videos this week addressing the mental health challenges that social isolation can cause during the pandemic.

The ads will seek to provide encouragement and resources during the holiday season for so many that are feeling cut off from family and friends.

The ads will run on Univision as well as El Rey and La Campeona.

## Media Minute

*Newsworthy moments from the staff of Virginia Garcia*



Virginia Garcia's family physician Dr Eva Galvez had a busy week, talking to NPR's Morning Edition and PBS Newshour about the newly released Covid-19 vaccine and the hesitancy being experienced by the Latinx community in receiving it.

*"...many of the disparities that we are seeing in the community are being driven by policies and by systemic inequities...And those need to be addressed, alongside with the campaign and the education about vaccines." - Dr Eva Galvez*

Check out these very important interviews below:

NPR Morning Edition: [Why many Latinos are wary of getting the Covid-19 vaccine.](#)

PBS Newshour: [Local officials face backlash against vaccinations from politicians and the public](#)