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Media Advisory **EACH CSTC receives first positive COVID-19 test result**

FORT CARSON, Colo. — Fort Carson's medical team identified a positive case of COVID-19 late Thursday, bringing the total number of confirmed cases among the Fort Carson community to eight.

This is the first positive result from all tests that have returned after being administered at the Evans Army Community Hospital Centralized Screening and Testing Center.

The individual is in her 70s and is currently admitted to a hospital in downtown Colorado Springs.

Upon notification of the result, Fort Carson officials and Evans Army Community Hospital health professionals ensured the individual was medically cared for and immediately began conducting contact tracing to determine whether any others may have been exposed.

If any individuals are determined to be at risk, they will be directly notified.

Health professionals and leaders are coordinating closely with civilian authorities in the surrounding area to determine any potential risk of exposure off the installation.

The Centralized Screening and Testing Center at Evans Army Community Hospital is available for patients experiencing COVID-19 symptoms Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Fort Carson COVID-19 Patient Advice Line is also available for community members with COVID-19 questions and those seeking medical guidance at (719) 524-2684. A team of registered nurses at Evans Army Community Hospital is providing this local resource Monday through Saturday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Evans Army Community Hospital will begin drive-up pharmacy service on Monday, March 30, at the Soldier Family Care Center for patients to pick up prescriptions and drop off prescriptions

to be filled. Drive-up pharmacy service will be available Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. This initiative will help reduce patrons within Evans Army Community Hospital and minimize the spread of COVID-19 among patients, visitors and staff.

No Fort Carson interviews will be provided at this time.

For more information on Fort Carson's efforts to protect our community and prevent the spread of COVID-19, please visit www.carson.army.mil.

For more information contact the Fort Carson Public Affairs Office at (719) 526-7525. After hours, please contact the 24-hour Fort Carson Operations Center at 526-5500 and ask for the On-Call Public Affairs Officer.