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Raimondo Unveils CRUSH COVID RI, State's One-Stop Pandemic Response App

Governor Gina M. Raimondo and Nicole Alexander-Scott, MD, MPH, the Director of the Rhode Island Department of Health (RIDOH), provided an update on Rhode Island's response to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) crisis.

- **CRUSH COVID RI:** Today the Governor announced the first version of CRUSH COVID RI, the state's pandemic response mobile app with a privacy-first focus. CRUSH COVID RI provides Rhode Islanders with easy access to all of the resources required during the public health crisis, including a location diary that helps users identify the people and places they are in contact with and a symptom checking survey. All Rhode Islanders are encouraged to use the CRUSH COVID RI app and take an active role in slowing the spread of COVID-19 in Rhode Island. CRUSH COVID RI app is available for download in the Apple App Store and Google Play. Visit health.ri.gov/crushcovid to learn more.

COVID-19 Data Update

RIDOH announced 134 new cases of COVID-19 today. This brings Rhode Island's case count to 12,951. RIDOH also announced 26 additional COVID-19 associated fatalities. Rhode Island's number of COVID-19 associated fatalities is now 532. A full data summary for Rhode Island is [posted online](#).

Key messages for the public

- Anyone who is sick should stay home and self-isolate (unless going out for testing or healthcare).
 - The people who live with that person and who have been in direct close contact with that person should self-quarantine for 14 days after the last day that that person was in isolation. Direct close contact means being within approximately 6 feet of a person for a prolonged period.
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- Help is available for people living in quarantine or isolation due to COVID-19.
Visit www.RIDelivers.com [ridelivers.com] for connections to groceries, home supplies, restaurants, and mutual aid groups. People can also call 2-1-1.
 - When people are in public, they should wear a cloth face covering. A cloth face covering is a material that covers the nose and mouth. It could be sewn by hand or improvised from household items such as scarves, T-shirts, or bandanas.
 - Groups of more than five people should not be gathering. Always avoid close personal contact with other people in public.
 - People who think they have COVID-19 should call their healthcare provider. Do not go directly to a healthcare facility without first calling a healthcare provider (unless you are experiencing a medical emergency).
 - People with general, non-medical questions about COVID-19 can visit www.health.ri.gov/covid, write to RIDOH.COVID19Questions@health.ri.gov, or call 401-222-8022. This is the COVID-19 Hotline that RIDOH has available to the public.
 - Everyone can help stop the spread of viruses in Rhode Island.
 - Wash your hands often throughout the day. Use warm water and soap. If soap and water are not available, use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
 - Cough or sneeze into your elbow.
 - Stay home and do not leave your house if you are sick, unless it is for emergency medical care.
 - Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth. Germs spread this way.
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