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Dublin, GA- Wednesday morning, the South Central Health District (SCHD) confirmed another case of COVID-19. The individual is a resident of Dodge County, and the source of exposure is unknown at this time. The individual is currently hospitalized at Dodge County Hospital.

SCHD has confirmed eight (8) total cases of COVID-19 throughout the ten-county health district, six (6) in Laurens County, one (1) in Pulaski County, and (1) in Dodge County.

The best way to protect against COVID-19 is to adhere <u>strictly</u> to social distancing guidelines outlined by the CDC and the Georgia Department of Public Health. Additionally, please follow the guidance of all local governments regarding social distancing measures, as well as other prevention measures:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

For updated information about COVID-19 log on to: <u>www.southcentralhealth.info</u>, <u>www.dph.georgia.gov/novelcoronavirus</u>, or <u>www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/index.html</u>.

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