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### **2019 Novel Coronavirus**

(Hardyston, NJ) Sussex County Freeholder Director Sylvia Petillo and the Sussex County Division of Health (SCDOH) are saddened to announce that they have been notified of seven additional COVID-19- related deaths in Sussex County, in a 63 year- old male from Sparta Township, a 59 year- old male from Andover Township, a 65 year- old male from Andover Township, a 61 year- old male from Andover Township, an 83 year- old female from Andover Township, a 78 year- old male from Andover Township, and a 66 year- old female from Andover Township. Please note, deaths are announced as they are reported to and verified by the SCDOH, not necessarily on the date that they occur. The SCDOH has been working with those individuals who came into contact with these patients. Those identified as close contacts are in their homes under self-quarantine and being monitored by the SCDOH staff.

The Sussex County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Sussex County Division of Health extend their condolences to the patients' families and friends during this difficult time. The SCDOH is taking all possible steps to ensure the health and safety of our community, and asks for the public's cooperation in following all recommendations put forth by county, state, and federal agencies.

More information on COVID-19 may be found on the Sussex County website at <https://sussex.nj.us/covid19>, as well as <https://covid19.nj.gov> and [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov). Residents may also call 2-1-1 or 1-800-962-1253, or text NJCOVID to 898-211 for information from the New Jersey Department of Health.