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### **2019 Novel Coronavirus**

(Hardyston, NJ) Sussex County Freeholder Director Sylvia Petillo is saddened to announce two additional COVID-19- related deaths in Sussex County, the first in a 76 year- old male from Vernon Township, and the second in a 56 year-old female from Byram Township. The Sussex County Division of Health (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 both 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.