



**Joint Information Center - JIC Release No. 780
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**152nd and 153rd COVID-19-related Fatalities Reported;
COVID-19 Hospital Census: 63; Cumulative COVID-19 Test Results: 201 New Cases;
COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing Schedule; Additional Updates**

152nd and 153rd COVID-19-related Fatalities Reported

The Joint Information Center (JIC) was notified that Guam’s 152nd COVID-19-related fatality occurred at the Guam Memorial Hospital (GMH) at approximately 10:03 a.m. on September 5, 2021. The patient was a 70-year-old male, unvaccinated, and had tested positive for COVID-19.

Additionally, a review of death certificates has revealed another COVID-19-related death. Guam’s 153rd COVID-19-related fatality was pronounced dead on arrival at GMH on August 25, 2021. The patient was a 34-year-old female, unvaccinated, and had tested positive for COVID-19.

“Our hearts go out to the loved ones of those lost to this deadly virus,” said Governor Lou Leon Guerrero. “COVID-19 knows no bounds; with no location completely free of it, no age completely safe from it. Because of this, we must create boundaries around our community. We can do this by getting vaccinated, wearing our masks around those outside of our household, and practicing social distancing.”

GBHWC Crisis Hotline

The Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (GBHWC) has a Crisis Hotline available 24/7 at (671) 647-8833/4. For those feeling anxious, stressed, overwhelmed, or need to talk to someone, GBHWC has experienced providers available and ready to assist the community with any heightened stress and anxiety experienced as a result of COVID-19.

63 Hospitalized for COVID-19 – 31 Unvaccinated

The Guam Memorial Hospital (GMH), Guam Regional Medical City (GRMC), and U.S. Naval Hospital (USNH) Guam report the following COVID-19 hospital census, as of 6 p.m.:

CENSUS	GMH	GRMC	USNH	TOTAL
COVID-19 Admission	32	24	7	63
ICU	2	2	0	4
Ventilator	0	0	0	0
Vaccination Status	18 UNVACCINATED	13 UNVACCINATED	UNAVAILABLE	31 UNVACCINATED

Cumulative COVID-19 Test Results: 201 New Cases of COVID-19 from Sept. 4-6

Today, the Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) reported **sixty (60)** new cases of COVID-19 out of **480** tests performed on September 6. **Twenty-four (24)** cases were identified through contact tracing.

An additional **one hundred forty-one (141)** cases were also reported today as a result of complete analysis and case submissions from other clinics for preliminary COVID-19 test results reported September 4 – 6. Official case counts for the past weekend results are as follows:

- September 4: **166** of **1,052** test positive for COVID-19 ([93 cases previously reported](#)). **Eighty-eight (88)** cases were identified through contact tracing.
- September 5: **139** of **1,078** test positive for COVID-19 ([93 cases previously reported](#)). **Sixty-three (63)** cases were identified through contact tracing.
- September 6: **23** of **265** test positive for COVID-19 ([1 case previously reported](#)). **Nine (9)** cases were identified through contact tracing.

To date, there have been a total of **11,494** officially reported cases of COVID-19 with **153** deaths, **2,054** cases in active isolation, and **9,287** not in active isolation. **The CAR Score is 39.4.**

Special Note: Free COVID-19 community testing is not available on government or observed holidays. There was no free COVID-19 community testing on Monday, September 6.

Free COVID-19 Testing Schedule

COVID-19 COMMUNITY TESTING SCHEDULE – FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED		
Wednesday, September 8 - Saturday, September 11	8 a.m. - 12 p.m.	<p>Old Carnival Grounds, Tiyan, Barrigada</p> <p>Rapid antigen testing will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last. No symptoms are needed. Bring a photo ID.</p>

For quicker service, visit dphss.guam.gov/covid-19-testing to download, print, and complete a [COVID-19 Testing Patient Assessment Form](#) before arriving at the testing site. Only four (4) people per vehicle are allowed to be tested. Minors must be accompanied by a parent/legal guardian and provide government-issued identification to validate age. The parent/legal guardian will also be required to sign a consent form. Testing for travel purposes will **not** be conducted at DPHSS drive-thru testing sites and must be scheduled with the Northern Region Community Health Center (NRCHC) by calling (671) 635-7525/6.

The community is reminded to monitor for symptoms and get tested if they are identified as close contacts to confirmed positive cases or are experiencing any of the known COVID-19 symptoms, which include, but are not limited to:

- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Fever
- Chills
- Muscle pain
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell

This list is not exhaustive of all possible symptoms. Other less common symptoms have been reported, including gastrointestinal symptoms like nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea.

Individuals waiting for COVID-19 test results must quarantine at home until cleared by DPHSS. Individuals whose test results are positive and who are at high risk for serious illness will be given information on outpatient monoclonal antibody treatment for COVID-19.

COVID-19 Vaccination Schedule

COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINICS - Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson

Wednesday, Sept. 8, Friday, Sept. 10 and Saturday, Sept. 11	11 a.m. - 6 p.m.	University of Guam Field House, Mangilao Register for at tinyurl.com/vaxguam Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will expedite. Please bring appointment confirmation and proof of identity. Last appointment is at 6 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 8	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	DPHSS Southern Region Community Health Center, Inalåhan Call (671) 828-7604/5/7518 to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins welcome.
Thursday, Sept. 9 and Saturday Sept. 11	11 a.m. to 6 p.m.	Micronesia Mall, 2nd Floor, Above Center Court, Dededo Register at tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will expedite. Please bring appointment confirmation and proof of identity. Last appointment is at 6 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 10	1 p.m. - 4 p.m.	DPHSS Northern Region Community Health Center, Dededo Call (671) 635-4418/7400 to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins welcome.

Five GDOE Students, Five Employees Test Positive for COVID-19

Today, the Guam Department of Education (GDOE) confirmed positive cases for COVID-19 involving **five (5)** students and **five (5)** employees. Student cases were identified at Finegayan Elementary School, Jose L.G. Rios Middle School, and Okkodo High School. Additionally, two separate cases were identified at Wettengel Elementary School. Employee cases were identified at Captain H.B. Price Elementary School, Merizo Martyrs Memorial Elementary School, Agueda I. Johnston Middle School, Luis P. Untalan Middle School, and Okkodo High School. In collaboration with the DPHSS, GDOE has identified and notified teachers as well as parents of students who may have been in contact with the index case in order to schedule testing. Tested individuals will remain in quarantine until they are cleared by DPHSS. Cleaning and disinfecting of areas of the campuses are taking place.

P-EBT Updates

DPHSS will continue distributing Supplemental Assistance Program (SNAP) Pandemic Electronic Benefits Transfer (P-EBT) Cards through Saturday, September 11. The P-EBT is federally funded and offered through the Food and Nutrition Services of the United States Department of Agriculture.

P-EBT Cards distribution is as follows:

P-EBT DISTRIBUTION SCHEDULE		
September 8 – 10	9 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Bureau of Economic Security (BES) Ran-Care Commercial Building – Tamuning 2nd Floor (Located across National Office Supply)
September 11	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Register at tinyurl.com/pebtguam (Appointments only due to limited parking and lobby capacity)

Parents who visited the troubleshooting table at the initial site at the Micronesia Mall and were informed they will be contacted about their children's cases do not need to schedule an appointment. You will be notified when you can pick up your child's card.

School-aged students are eligible for P-EBT if they:

- were eligible to receive free or reduced-price school meals under the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP); or
- received such meals because their school is participating in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) but did not receive meals at school due to COVID-related closures or virtual learning.

Requirements for P-EBT distribution are as follows:

- Registration at tinyurl.com/pebtguam
- Valid picture ID such as a Driver's License, Guam ID, military ID or Passport. Photocopies of IDs are not accepted.
- Written authorization is not acceptable.
- You must be the registered parent/guardian for your child with GDOE. If you are not the registered parent/guardian, a P-EBT card WILL NOT be issued to you. If your child is an active member in another SNAP household, then a card will be issued to the head of household in that SNAP case.
- P-EBT Cards are issued to Child Protective Services (CPS) for children identified as a ward of the court or under the care of CPS. They will be contacting families directly.
- If the parent/guardian name is not listed, a DPHSS P-EBT Student Verification of Enrollment Form will be issued at the distribution site. This form will be taken back to the child's respective school, where GDOE staff will complete and validate the form. Parents will then return the form to the troubleshooting table at the distribution site.
- Individuals, who have legal and/or temporary custody or Power of Attorney (POA), please ensure the guardianship is recorded and reflected in GDOE's PowerSchool system.

P-EBT ISSUANCE SCHEDULE FOR GDOE PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS		
First Issuance	\$422.41	September 11, 2021
Second Issuance	\$310.83	September 18, 2021
Third Issuance	\$294.89	September 25, 2021
Final Issuance	\$215.19	September 30, 2021

Benefits may be available between 12 a.m. and 7 p.m. on the dates specified above. P-EBT benefits are valid for one (1) year. School-aged students are eligible for P-EBT if they:

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- received such meals because their school is participating in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) but did not receive meals at school due to COVID-related closures or virtual learning.

For more information, please contact the P-EBT call center by calling 311 and dialing option 7 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Food Commodities Distribution Continues

GDOE, State Agency for the Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) under the U.S. Department of Agriculture Food Nutrition Service distribution will be available to village

constituents only on a first-come, first-served basis. Distribution is limited to three households per vehicle at the sites. Face masks must be worn; bring a photo ID.

Date	Location	Distribution Method - While Supplies Last	# of Bags
Thursday, Sept. 9	Merizo	Door-to-Door distribution will begin at 10 a.m. for the manâmkö, individuals with disabilities, and those who have been furloughed. This is for 450 Merizo constituents only, while supplies last. For more information, contact the Merizo Mayor's Office at 828-2941/8312.	450
Friday, Sept. 10	Mangilao	Drive-thru distribution will be held from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. at the Mangilao Night Market Grounds for 600 Mangilao constituents only, while supplies last. For more information, contact the Mangilao Mayor's Office at 734-2163.	600
	Yona	Drive-thru distribution will begin at 10 a.m. at the Yona Gymnasium for 350 Yona constituents only, while supplies last. For more information, contact the Yona Mayor's Office at 789-1525/4798.	350

Date	Organization	Distribution Method - While Supplies Last	# of clients/families/ households
Thursday, Sept. 9	Adult Day Care	Food commodities will be provided in bulk to the organization who will distribute food commodities directly to their clients, families, and households.	100

Guam COVID-19 Vaccination Update

As of September 6, **195** additional residents received their first dose in a two-dose series, **27** residents received their dose in the single-dose series, and an additional **155** residents have become fully vaccinated. To date, a total of **111,217 (81.60%)** of Guam's eligible population (residents 12 years and older) is fully vaccinated. This percentage includes **9,051** fully vaccinated residents between the ages of 12 – 17, as well as Guam's fully vaccinated adult population of **102,166**.

For the latest information on COVID-19, visit dphss.guam.gov or guamrecovery.com. For inquiries on COVID-19, contact 311 through a local number, or call the Joint Information Center at (671) 478-0208/09/10.

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GUAM COVID-19 UPDATE

JIC Release No. 780 Supplemental - *Data as of September 6, 2021*
COVID AREA RISK (CAR) SCORE: 39.4

CASE COUNT	TOTAL	REPORTED TODAY	PAST 7 DAYS	
COVID-19 CASES	11,494	60	935	
CONFIRMED	10,855	56	737	
PROBABLE	639	4	198	
TESTING	TOTAL	TODAY	7-DAY % POSITIVE	
DIAGNOSTIC	224,700	480	13.3%	
MOLECULAR	206,015	409	14.8%	
ANTIGEN	18,685	71	9.4%	
SEROLOGY	403	0	33.3%	
STATUS	TOTAL	ISOLATION LOCATION	TOTAL	
COVID-19 Death	153	Hospital	63	
Active Isolation	2,054	Home	1,828	
Not In Isolation	9,287	Isolation Facility	67	
Civilian	10,770	Military	96	
Military	724			
CENSUS	GMH	GRMC	USNH	TOTAL
COVID ADMISSION	32	24	7	63
IN ICU	2	2	0	4
ON VENTILATOR	0	0	0	0
Vaccine/Vaccinator	1st Doses	2nd Doses	Fully Immunized	
Pfizer-BioNTech	72,846	63,747	63,747	
Moderna	32,042	30,259	30,259	
Johnson & Johnson Janssen	-	-	6,012	
Department of Defense			10,458	
Guam National Guard			741	
TOTALS:	104,888	94,006	111,217 (12 years & older)	

Private Gov	GovGuam	Total Administered	Total Allotted	% Administered	Doses Remaining
		204,906	243,980	83.98%	39,074