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**Cumulative COVID-19 Test Results: 18 New Cases, Seven Hospitalized; 73 Cases with Delta Variant Identified; Additional COVID-19 Updates**

**Seven Hospitalized for COVID-19**

CENSUS as of 5 p.m.	GMH	GRMC	USNH	TOTAL
COVID-19 Admission	4	2	1	7
Pediatric Admissions	0	-	-	0
ICU	1	0	-	1
Ventilator	1	0	-	1

VACCINE STATUS	VACCINATED	UNVACCINATED	INELIGIBLE (0-4 years old)
Hospitalized	4	2	0
Total in Population*	128,280	13,327	12,229
Rate per 100,000 Population	3	15	0

*SPECIAL NOTE: Based on today's data, if we were to compare two (2) hypothetical populations of 100,000 people each, vaccinated versus unvaccinated, there would be 3 vaccinated people hospitalized for COVID-19 compared to 15 unvaccinated people hospitalized for COVID-19. The risk of being hospitalized for COVID-19 is about 5 times higher for the unvaccinated as compared to the vaccinated. \*Estimated population is based on DPHSS Immunization Program analysis of 2020 Census data. Updates are expected pending further Census 2020 data breakdown.*

**Cumulative COVID-19 Test Results: 18 New Cases of COVID-19 December 18 – 20**

Today, the Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) reported **four (4)** new cases of COVID-19 from **85** specimens analyzed on December 19. An additional **14** cases were also reported today as a result of complete analysis and case submissions from other clinics for preliminary COVID-19 test results reported December 18 – 19. Official case counts for the past weekend results are as follows:

- **11** of **811** test positive for COVID-19 ([three cases previously reported on December 18](#)). **Two (2)** cases were identified through contact tracing.
- **Nine (9)** of **442** test positive for COVID-19 ([three cases previously reported on December 19](#)). **One (1)** case was identified through contact tracing.

To date, there have been a total of **19,390** officially reported cases, **270** deaths, **216** cases in active isolation, and **18,904** not in active isolation. The CAR Score is **0.8**.

**73 Cases with Delta Variant Identified**

Today, DPHSS received seventy-three (73) new results from virus samples collected on Guam between October 1 to October 16, which have undergone genome sequencing by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). DPHSS received the twelfth set of results

from the CDC. All 73 samples received were identified as the Delta Variant of Concern (VOC). The breakdown is as follows:

Delta (VOC)

- Two (2) AY.103
- Fifty-two (52) AY.25
- Sixteen (16) AY.3
- Three (3) AY.4

To date, 438 SARS-CoV-2 virus samples have been submitted to the CDC for genome sequencing and identified a total of two hundred thirty-seven (237) COVID-19 cases infected with variants. DPHSS previously reported variants from results from the CDC and identified the following:

- eighty-nine (89) cases identified with the B.1.1.7 Alpha variant
- fourteen (14) cases identified with the B.1.429 Epsilon variant
- four (4) cases identified with the B.1.351 Beta variant
- one hundred twenty-nine (129) cases identified with the Delta variant and its sublineages
- one (1) case identified with the P.1 Gamma variant

**Guam COVID-19 Vaccination Update**

As of December 19, a total of **128,280** of Guam’s eligible population (residents 5 years and older) is fully vaccinated. This total includes **12,538** residents 12 – 17 years old. **4,362** residents 5 – 11 years old received their first dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech two dose series. **2,001** residents 5 – 11 years old have completed their two-dose series. An additional **167** residents received their booster shots and a total of **36,221** booster shots have been administered to eligible residents since September 29, 2021.

**COVID-19 Booster Shot Eligibility**

Adolescents 16 and 17 years of age who received a Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine (first two doses) are eligible for a single booster shot at least 6 months or more after their initial series. At this time, only the Pfizer-BioNTech booster vaccine is authorized and recommended for adolescents aged 16 and 17.

<b>FREE COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINICS (AGES 5 AND OVER)</b> Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson	
Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.  Saturdays: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sundays: 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.	<b>DPHSS Northern Region Community Health Center, Dededo</b> Call (671) 635-4418/7400 to schedule an appointment. Last appointment is 30 minutes before closing. Walk-ins welcome. Curbside vaccination available for people with disabilities. <b>Register at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme">tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme</a></b>
Dec. 21 - 23 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.  Dec. 27 - Dec. 30 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.	<b>University of Guam Field House, Mangilao</b> <b>Register at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/vaxguam">tinyurl.com/vaxguam</a></b> Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will be expedited. Please bring appointment confirmation and proof of identity. Last appointment is 30 minutes before closing. (Closed Dec. 24 – 26, and Dec. 31 – Jan. 2, 2022)

**Requirements for Minors to Receive the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine:**

- Parent/legal guardian must provide minor’s birth certificate
- Parent/legal guardian must have a government-issued photo identification (ID)
- Minor must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian
- Guardians must present legal guardianship or power-of-attorney documents

<b>FREE COVID-19 COMMUNITY TESTING</b> For more information, visit <a href="https://dphss.guam.gov/covid-19-testing" style="color: white;">dphss.guam.gov/covid-19-testing</a> .		
Mondays Wednesdays Fridays	8 a.m. - 11 a.m.	<b>Old Carnival Grounds, Tiyan, Barrigada</b> Rapid COVID-19 testing will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last. Four per vehicle. No symptoms are needed. Bring a photo ID. Travel-related testing will not be offered.
Saturdays	8 a.m. - 11 a.m.	<b>Old Carnival Grounds, Tiyan, Barrigada</b> Testing for symptomatic individuals ONLY. Screening and treatment will be offered if needed. Appointments will expedite. Four per vehicle. Bring a photo ID. Travel-related testing will not be offered.
Monday through Friday	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	<b>DPHSS Southern Region Community Health Center, Inalåhan</b> By appointment only for individuals with COVID-like symptoms. Bring a photo ID. Travel-related testing will not be offered. Call (671) 828-7604/5/7518.

Fill out a [COVID-19 Testing Patient Assessment Form](#) ahead of time, available at [dphss.guam.gov/covid-19-testing](https://dphss.guam.gov/covid-19-testing). Individuals waiting for COVID-19 test results must quarantine at home until cleared by DPHSS. Test results are available via email by sending a request to [covidresults@dphss.guam.gov](mailto:covidresults@dphss.guam.gov)

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