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**274th COVID-19-related Fatality Reported;
 COVID-19 Test Results: 243 New Cases, 12 Hospitalized; Tiyan COVID-19 Outreach
 Moves to Appointment-Based Testing**

274th COVID-19-related Fatality Reported

The Joint Information Center was notified that Guam’s 274th COVID-19-related fatality occurred at the Guam Memorial Hospital on December 2, 2021. The patient was a 76-year-old female, vaccinated with underlying health conditions. She tested positive on September 18, 2021.

“With each passing, we are reminded that this pandemic is far from over,” said Governor Lou Leon Guerrero. “While we forge forward in our response, let us not forget how far we have come and those we have lost. To her family and those who loved her, Jeff, Josh, and I extend our deepest sympathies and prayers.”

DON'T WAIT UNTIL IT'S TOO LATE.

Look for emergency warning signs for COVID-19. Seek emergency medical care immediately or call 911 if you have trouble breathing, persistent pain or pressure in the chest, new confusion, inability to wake or stay awake, or bluish lips or face. Individuals who are sick are advised to:

- Stay home, except to seek medical care. Call ahead before visiting the clinic/doctor.
- Monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 including fever, cough, and shortness of breath, fatigue, body aches, headaches, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion, nausea and/or diarrhea.
- Get tested if you have symptoms of COVID-19. While waiting for test results, you should stay away from others, including staying apart from those living in your household.

12 Hospitalized for COVID-19

CENSUS as of 5 p.m.	GMH	GRMC	USNH	TOTAL
COVID-19 Admission	9	3	0	12
Pediatric Admissions	0	-	-	0
ICU	0	0	0	0
Ventilator	0	0	0	0

VACCINATION STATUS	VACCINATED	UNVACCINATED	INELIGIBLE (0-4 years old)
Hospitalized	8	4	0
Total in Population*	130,055	11,552	12,229
Rate per 100,000 Population	6	35	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 6 vaccinated people hospitalized for COVID-19 compared to 35 unvaccinated people hospitalized for COVID-19. The risk of being hospitalized for COVID-19 is about 6 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.*

COVID-19 Test Results: 243 New Cases of COVID-19

Today, the Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) reported **243** new cases of COVID-19 from **1,802** tests run on January 6, 2022. **One hundred twenty-two (122)** cases were identified through contact tracing. To date, there have been a total of **20,594** officially reported cases, **274** deaths, **1,227** cases in active isolation, and **19,093** not in active isolation. The CAR Score is **89.7**.

Tiyan COVID-19 Outreach Moves to Appointment-Based Testing, Hours Extended

The community COVID-19 testing at the old carnival grounds in Tiyan, Barrigada will transition to an appointment-based system beginning January 10, 2022. Scheduling of appointments for COVID-19 testing will allow for more efficient processing and reduce long lines and wait times. Unscheduled drive-ups will be accepted on a limited basis. Beginning Monday, hours of operation will also be extended to accommodate more patients. The new hours are listed below. To schedule an appointment, visit tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme.

FREE COVID-19 COMMUNITY TESTING For more information, visit dphss.guam.gov/covid-19-testing .		
Jan. 8, 2022	8 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Old Carnival Grounds, Tiyan, Barrigada 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.
Jan. 10 - 15, 2022	8 a.m. - 12 p.m. BREAK 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.	Old Carnival Grounds, Tiyan, Barrigada Rapid COVID-19 testing will be offered by appointment through Eventbrite at tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme . Four per vehicle. No symptoms are needed. Bring a photo ID. Travel-related testing will not be offered.

Fill out a [COVID-19 Testing Patient Assessment Form](#) ahead of time, available at 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.

COVID-19 Booster Shot Interval Shortened, Eligibility Expands, and 3rd Primary Dose for Immunocompromised Children 5 to 11 Years Old Available

Today, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) updated recommendations for administering the COVID-19 vaccine, to include:

- Shortening the interval for when eligible people can receive a booster dose, from 6 months to 5 months after completing their Pfizer-BioNTech primary series. This means that eligible people can receive an mRNA booster dose 5 months after completing their Pfizer-BioNTech primary series. The booster dose interval recommendations for people who received their Johnson & Johnson/Janssen (2 months) or Moderna (6 months) has not changed.
- Expanding the COVID-19 boosters to adolescents ages 12 to 15 years old. At this time, only the Pfizer-BioNTech booster vaccine is authorized and recommended for adolescents aged 12 to 15 years old.
- Authorizing a third primary series dose for certain immunocompromised children aged 5 to 11 years old. The CDC is recommending moderately or severely immunocompromised 5 to 11 year olds receive an additional dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech pediatric COVID-19

vaccine to complete the primary series, with a total of three doses. The additional dose should be spaced 28 days after the second dose. At this time, only the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine is authorized and recommended for children 5 to 11 years of age.

FREE COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINICS (AGES 5 AND OVER) Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson	
Jan. 8, 2022: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	DPHSS Northern Region Community Health Center, Dededo 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. Register at tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme
Jan. 8, 2022: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	DPHSS Southern Region Community Health Center, Inalåhan Call (671) 828-7604/5/7518 to schedule an appointment. Last appointment is 30 minutes before closing. Walk-ins welcome. Curbside vaccination available for people with disabilities.
Jan. 8–15, 2022: Mon. - Wed., Fri: 11 a.m. - 5p.m. Sat.: 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.	University of Guam Field House, Mangilao Register at tinyurl.com/vaxguam Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will be expedited. Please bring appointment confirmation and proof of identity. Last appointment is 30 minutes before closing.
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Register for SimpleReport for Faster Processing of COVID-19 Test Results

Residents and patients who plan to get tested for COVID-19 are encouraged to register for SimpleReport, a free, user-friendly web-based app, that remembers required patient information for easier, simpler reporting of COVID-19 test results. Once registration is completed, protected patient information is stored for all future testing. A QR code may be issued to patients once they are registered to the SimpleReport system.

To register for SimpleReport, visit tinyurl.com/guamtesting.

Individuals who test negative for COVID-19 will receive a text message through their mobile phones with instructions to verify their identity to view their results. Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 are encouraged to isolate immediately. DPHSS staff will contact the patient to screen for other isolation measures, symptoms, and coordinate for monoclonal antibody therapy treatment, if eligible.

Guam COVID-19 Vaccination Update

As of January 6, 2022, a total of **130,055** of Guam’s eligible population (residents 5 years and older) is fully vaccinated. This total includes **12,630** residents 12 – 17 years old. **5,069** residents 5 – 11 years old received their first dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech two dose series. **3,182** residents 5 – 11 years old have completed their two-dose series. An additional **205** residents received their booster shots and a total of **40,847** booster shots have been administered to eligible residents since September 29, 2021.

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