





Joint Information Center – JIC Release No. 996 March 20, 2022, 4:15 p.m. (ChST)

Preliminary COVID-19 Test Results: Seven New Cases, Additional Results Available Tomorrow; 15 Hospitalized; 10 Cases with Variants of Concern Identified

Preliminary COVID-19 Test Results: Seven New Cases

Today, the Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) reported a preliminary case count of **seven** new cases of COVID-19 from **eight** specimens analyzed on March 19, 2022. Additional results are pending analysis and submission from other clinics and will be reported on Monday, March 21, 2022. To date, there have been a total of **46,730** officially reported cases, **341** deaths, **1,177** cases in active isolation, and **45,212** not in active isolation.

15 Hospitalized for COVID-19

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CENSUS as of 4 p.m.	GMH	GRMC	USNH	TOTAL	
COVID-19 Admission	4	11	-	15	
Pediatric Admissions	0	-	-	0	
ICU	0	2	-	2	
Ventilator	0	1	-	1	

VACCINATION STATUS	VACCINATED	UNVACCINATED	INELIGIBLE (0-4 years old)
Hospitalized	12	3	0
Total in Population*	135,704	5,897	12,229
Rate per 100,000 Population	9	51	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 9 vaccinated people hospitalized for COVID-19 compared to 51 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.

FREE COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINICS (AGES 5 AND OVER) FIRST DOSES, SECOND DOSES, AND BOOSTER SHOTS AVAILABLE Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson Monday through Agana Shopping Center (2nd Floor) - Register: tinyurl.com/vaxquam Saturday Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will be expedited. Bring appointment confirmation and proof of identity. Last appointment is 30 minutes before closing. 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through DPHSS Southern Region Community Health Center (SRCHC), Inalåhan Call (671) 828-7604/5/7518 to schedule an appointment. Last appointment is 30 minutes before Saturday closing. Walk-ins welcome. Curbside vaccination available for people with disabilities. 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Register at tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme

Monday through Saturday 9 a.m 5 p.m.	DPHSS Northern Region Community Health Center (NRCHC), 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
March 21, 2022 3 p.m 6 p.m.	Inalajan Elementary, Talofofo Elementary and Malesso Elementary Schools at Inalajan Elementary School After-school vaccination clinic open to the community. Walk-ins welcome. Minors must have birth certificate, parents must have government-issued photo ID.
March 22, 2022 3 p.m 6 p.m.	Adacao Elementary School After-school vaccination clinic open to the community. Walk-ins welcome. Minors must have birth certificate, parents must have government-issued photo ID.
March 23, 2022 3 p.m 6 p.m.	B.P. Carbullido Elementary and P.C. Lujan Elementary Schools at B.P. Carbullido Elementary School After-school vaccination clinic open to the community. Walk-ins welcome. Minors must have birth certificate, parents must have government-issued photo ID.
March 24, 2022 3 p.m 6 p.m.	Agana Heights Elementary School After-school vaccination clinic open to the community. Walk-ins welcome. Minors must have birth certificate, parents must have government-issued photo ID.
March 25, 2022 3 p.m 6 p.m.	Tamuning Elementary and L.B. Johnson Elementary Schools at Tamuning Elementary School After-school vaccination clinic open to the community. Walk-ins welcome. Minors must have birth certificate, parents must have government-issued photo ID.

FREE COVID-19 COMMUNITY TESTING Fill out a COVID-19 Testing Patient Assessment Form ahead of time, available at dphss.guam.gov/covid-19-testing .				
Mon., Wed, and Fri.: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.	Old Carnival Grounds, Tiyan, Barrigada COVID-19 testing will be offered by appointment through tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme. Four adults per vehicle. Bring a photo ID.Travel-related testing will not be offered.			
Sat.: 8 a.m 11 a.m.	NO SYMPTOMS NEEDED TO TEST FOR COVID-19			
Monday through Saturday: 9 a.m 12 p.m.	DPHSS Southern Region Community Health Center (SRCHC), Inalåhan By appointment only for individuals with COVID-like symptoms. Four adults per vehicle. Bring a photo ID. Travel-related testing not offered. Call (671) 828-7604/5/7518. Register at tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme			
	DPHSS Northern Region Community Health Center (NRCHC), Dededo By appointment only for individuals with COVID-like symptoms. Four adults per vehicle. Bring a photo ID. Travel-related testing not offered. Call (671) 635-7525/6 to schedule an appointment.			

10 Cases with Variants of Concern Identified

Yesterday, March 19, 2022, DPHSS received 10 new results from virus samples collected on Guam from February 4, 2022 to February 18, 2022, which have undergone genome sequencing by the Hawaii Department of Health (DOH) State Laboratory Division.

DPHSS received the sixth set of results from the Hawaii DOH State Lab Division. All 10 samples were identified as the Omicron Variant of Concern (VOC). The breakdown is as follows:

10 Omicron (VOC)

• Ten (10) BA.2

To date, 676 SARS-CoV-2 virus samples have been submitted to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Hawaii DOH State Lab Division for genome sequencing and identified a total of four hundred sixty-one (461) COVID-19 cases infected with variants. DPHSS previously reported variants from results from the CDC and the Hawaii DOH State Lab 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
- two hundred fifty-six (256) cases identified with the Delta variant and its sublineages
- one (1) case identified with the P.1 Gamma variant
- eighty-one (81) cases identified with BA.1 Omicron variant
- sixteen (16) cases identified with BA.2 Omicron subvariant

Mangilao mAb Treatment Center

Monoclonal antibody therapy (mAb) treatment is available at the mAb Treatment Center at the Mangilao Senior Citizens Center from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m Monday through Saturday. Patients must receive a referral from a physician to qualify for treatment at this center. To schedule an appointment, call (671) 998-4627, within 10 days of when symptoms started for best results.

Guam COVID-19 Vaccination Update

As of March 19, 2022, a total of **135,704** of Guam's eligible population (residents 5 years and older) is fully vaccinated. This total includes **13,524** residents 12 – 17 years old. **7,693** residents 5 – 11 years old received their first dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech two dose series. **5,930** residents 5 – 11 years old have completed their two-dose series. An additional **87** residents received their booster shots and a total of **56,410** booster shots have been administered to eligible residents since September 29, 2021.

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