MONTGOMERY COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – Montgomery County Public Health District, in conjunction with the Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, would like to encourage eligible residents to be vaccinated for COVID-19. The CDC has approved Pfizer vaccines for everyone 5 years of age and older.

The CDC has also approved Moderna and Pfizer booster shots for those who are 65 years of age and older, immunocompromised individuals and those who work in high-risk industries. The CDC is also recommending boosters for those 18 years of age and older who received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine two or more months ago. For more information, click here: https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2021/p1021-covid-booster.html.

Need to find a vaccine or a vaccine booster shot? Click here for vaccine sites: https://www.vaccines.gov/.

Since Tuesday, November 2nd, we have confirmed an additional 26 deaths, ages 26-82 related to COVID-19. One of the 26 people who died had one dose of a required two-dose vaccine. Five of the 26 people who died had no co-morbidities noted in their medical records.

Also, this week:

- **TOTAL cases of COVID-19 increased by 413 to 88,566 since last Tuesday’s (11/2) report.**
  - Of the 485 new cases, 33 are under the age of 12 and not eligible for vaccination.

- **ACTIVE cases of COVID-19 decreased by 524 to 1,752 since last Tuesday’s (11/2) report.**
- 343 county residents are known, as a result of contact investigations, to be in the hospital. Contact investigations have not been initiated on all reported cases.

- 86,063 people have clinically recovered.

**The Testing Positivity Rate for Montgomery County remains at 6% today, down from 7% on Tuesday, 10/26/21.**

*Source: UT Health, School of Public Health*

***PLEASE NOTE, THE COVID-19 REPORT WILL BE UNAVAILABLE THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 15TH AS WE TRANSITION TO NEDSS (National Electronic Disease Surveillance System) managed by THE CDC. WE WILL CONTINUE WEEKLY REPORTS WHEN THE TRANSITION IS COMPLETE.***

*These numbers include PCR and rapid antigen testing. We do not include antibody testing.*


_Do your part to slow the spread of COVID-19. The best way to protect yourself and those around you is to be vaccinated. You should also:_

- **Avoid groups of people.**
- **Practice social distancing.**
- **Wear a mask in public (over your nose and mouth) or with others who live outside your household. Never share a mask with others.**
- **Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer frequently.**
- **Disinfect surfaces in your car and around your home.**