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, can confirm hospitalizations for COVID-19 are nearing peak levels in Montgomery County. The vast majority of new cases and essentially all hospitalizations are in those who are unvaccinated.

SETRAC data for regional hospitalizations can be found here: https://bit.ly/3jwhdiV.
We strongly encourage you to be vaccinated for COVID-19 if you have not done so already. Even if you contract COVID-19 after vaccination, the chances of severe illness, hospitalization and death are extremely low.

Only 49 percent of eligible Montgomery County residents are vaccinated. Need to find a vaccine? Click here: [https://www.vaccines.gov/](https://www.vaccines.gov/).

Since our August 9th report, we can confirm two additional deaths related to COVID-19.

- A man in his 60s, from Conroe, died in the hospital. He had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19. He was not vaccinated.
- A woman in her 60s, from Conroe, died in the hospital. She had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19. She was not vaccinated.

We can also confirm:

- TOTAL cases of COVID-19 increased by 1,137 to 63,680 since Monday’s (8/9) report. Of the 1,137 new cases, 114 are under the age of 12 and not eligible for vaccination.
- ACTIVE cases of COVID-19 increased by 969 to 6,449 since Monday’s (8/9) report.
• 187 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.

• 30,948 people have clinically recovered.

The Testing Positivity Rate for Montgomery County has increased to 23%, up from 21% on Monday.
Source: UT Health, School of Public Health

*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.