



Joint Information Center - JIC Release No. 775
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151st COVID-19-related Fatality Reported;
COVID-19 Hospital Census: 51; COVID-19 Test Results: 197 New Cases; COVID-19
Vaccination Clinic Opens at UOG Next Week; Last Day to Pick Up SNAP P-EBT Cards at
Micronesia Mall; Additional COVID-19 Updates

151st COVID-19-related Fatality Reported

The Joint Information Center (JIC) was notified that Guam's 151st COVID-19-related fatality occurred at the Guam Regional Medical City (GRMC) at approximately 8:36 a.m. on September 2, 2021. The patient was an 85-year-old female, unvaccinated who had tested positive for COVID-19.

"Today, it saddens me to share that Guam has lost another soul to COVID-19. Josh, Jeff, and I send our deepest condolences to her family and friends," said Governor Lou Leon Guerrero. "Now is not the time to throw in the towel, now is the time to stand up and protect those we love. Help stop the spread of COVID-19 by doing your part--wear your mask, wash your hands, watch your distance, and get vaccinated."

GBHWC Crisis Hotline

The Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (GBHWC) has a Crisis Hotline available 24/7 at (671) 647-8833/4. For those feeling anxious, stressed, overwhelmed, or need to talk to someone, GBHWC has experienced providers available and ready to assist the community with any heightened stress and anxiety experienced as a result of COVID-19.

51 Hospitalized for COVID-19 – 31 Unvaccinated

The Guam Memorial Hospital (GMH), Guam Regional Medical City (GRMC), and U.S. Naval Hospital (USNH) Guam report the following COVID-19 hospital census, as of 6 p.m.:

CENSUS	GMH	GRMC	USNH	TOTAL
COVID-19 Admission	26	22	3	51
ICU	1	6	2	9
Ventilator	0	0	1	1
Vaccination Status	19 UNVACCINATED	12 UNVACCINATED	3 UNKNOWN	31 UNVACCINATED 3 UNKNOWN

COVID-19 Test Results: 197 New Cases of COVID-19

Today, the Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) reported **one hundred ninety-seven (197)** new cases of COVID-19 out of **1,548** tests performed on September 2. **Eighty-two (82)** cases were identified through contact tracing. To date there have been a total of **11,106** officially reported cases of COVID-19 with **151** deaths, **1,829** cases in active isolation and **9,126** not in active isolation. **The CAR Score is 46.8.**

COVID-19 Testing Continues Through Saturday, September 4

Free COVID-19 testing continues at the locations and times below:

COVID-19 COMMUNITY TESTING SCHEDULE – FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED		
Saturday, September 4	8 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Old Carnival Grounds, Tiyan, Barrigada Rapid antigen testing will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis, while supplies last. No symptoms are needed. Bring a photo ID.

For quicker service, visit dphss.guam.gov/covid-19-testing to download, print, and complete a [COVID-19 Testing Patient Assessment Form](#) before arriving at the testing site.

Only four (4) people per vehicle are allowed to be tested. Minors must be accompanied by a parent/legal guardian and provide government-issued identification to validate age. The parent/legal guardian will also be required to sign a consent form. Testing for travel purposes will **not** be conducted at DPHSS drive-thru testing sites and must be scheduled with the Northern Region Community Health Center (NRCHC) by calling (671) 635-7525/6.

The community is reminded to monitor for symptoms and get tested if they are identified as close contacts to confirmed positive cases or are experiencing any of the known COVID-19 symptoms, which include, but are not limited to:

- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Fever
- Chills
- Muscle pain
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell

This list is not exhaustive of all possible symptoms. Other less common symptoms have been reported, including gastrointestinal symptoms like nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea.

Individuals waiting for COVID-19 test results must quarantine at home until cleared by DPHSS. Individuals whose test results are positive and who are at high risk for serious illness will be given information on outpatient monoclonal antibody treatment for COVID-19.

Monoclonal Antibody Treatment: REGEN-COV

Monoclonal antibody treatment is now available for those who test positive and are deemed eligible and referred by a provider. Monoclonal antibodies are laboratory-made proteins that mimic your immune system's ability to fight off harmful viruses. Casirivimab + imdevimab are monoclonal antibodies that are specifically designed to protect against the spike protein of the coronavirus. These proteins are designed to stop the virus from entering the human cells and may prevent hospitalizations by 70%.

In November 2020, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration issued an [Emergency Use Authorization](#) to allow the use of monoclonal antibodies for the treatment of mild to moderate symptoms of COVID-19 in adults and pediatric patients. **To receive the treatment you must have a positive COVID-19 test AND be referred by your doctor.** Referrals may be given if the candidate is:

- Age 65 or older and weigh at least 80 lbs. or more; or
- Told by your doctor that you are at high risk of a serious case of COVID-19; or
- Age 12 or older and weigh at least 80 lbs. or more AND has any of the following:
 - chronic kidney disease
 - heart or lung disease
 - BMI of 25 or greater
 - pregnancy
 - diabetes
 - immunosuppressive disease

Monoclonal antibody treatment is not intended as a replacement for getting vaccinated. These medications are NOT approved for use in patients who are hospitalized due to COVID-19 or require oxygen therapy. Benefits of treatment have not been observed in patients hospitalized due to COVID-19. Monoclonal antibodies may be associated with worse clinical outcomes when given to patients with COVID-19 requiring oxygen ventilation.

Ways to receive mAb:

1. [Via the Tiyan testing site](#). If you test positive for COVID-19 and are deemed eligible, a referral will be made on-site and you may proceed to treatment.
2. Via your private doctor. If you test positive for COVID-19 and are deemed eligible, your doctor will coordinate for your referral to receive treatment.

(Note for Providers: Please call the REGEN-COV referral number at 777-1597 to refer your patients)

Ten GDOE Students, Three Employees Test Positive for COVID-19

Today, the Guam Department of Education (GDOE) confirmed **ten (10)** positive cases for COVID-19 involving students, and **three (3)** positive cases involving employees. Student cases were identified at Adacao Elementary School, Astumbo Elementary School, Daniel L. Perez Elementary School, Maria A. Ulloa Elementary School, Wettengel Elementary School, and John F. Kennedy High School. Two separate cases were identified at Harry S. Truman and two separate cases were identified at Liguana Elementary School. Employee cases were identified at Daniel L. Perez, Liguana Elementary School, and John F. Kennedy High School. In collaboration with the DPHSS, GDOE has identified and notified teachers as well as parents of students who may have been in contact with the index case in order to schedule testing. Tested individuals will remain in quarantine until they are cleared by DPHSS. Cleaning and disinfecting of areas of the campuses are taking place.

COVID-19 Vaccination Schedule

In addition to the Micronesia Mall COVID-19 vaccination clinic on Friday and Saturday this week, the University of Guam Field House will open on Saturday, September 4 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Beginning next week, the COVID-19 vaccination clinic at the Micronesia Mall will only operate on Thursdays and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. The COVID-19 vaccination clinic at

the University of Guam Field House will operate Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

COVID-19 vaccination clinics continue at the locations and times below:

COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINICS - Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson		
Saturday, Sept. 4	11 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Micronesia Mall, 2nd Floor, Above Center Court, Dededo Register for at tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will expedite. Please bring appointment confirmation and proof of identity. Last appointment is at 6 p.m.
		University of Guam Field House, Mangilao Register for Sept. 4 at tinyurl.com/vaxguam Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will expedite. Please bring appointment confirmation and proof of identity. Last appointment is at 6 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 9, Saturday Sept. 11	11 a.m. to 6 p.m.	Micronesia Mall, 2nd Floor, Above Center Court, Dededo Register at tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will expedite. Please bring appointment confirmation and proof of identity. Last appointment is at 6 p.m.
Monday, Sept. 6 - Saturday, Sept. 11	11 a.m. - 6 p.m.	University of Guam Field House, Mangilao Register for Sept. 6-11 at tinyurl.com/vaxguam Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will expedite. Please bring appointment confirmation and proof of identity. Last appointment is at 6 p.m.

Last Day to Pick Up SNAP P-EBT Cards

DPHSS, in collaboration with GDOE, will be issuing Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) cards at the Micronesia Mall Center Court on Saturday, September 4 from 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. This is the last day of distribution for SNAP P-EBT cards. **Parents are encouraged to pick up P-EBT cards for their children.**

P-EBT Card Distribution Requirements:

- Bring a valid picture ID such as a Driver's License, Guam ID, military ID or Passport. Photocopies of IDs are not accepted.
- Written authorizations are not acceptable.
- You must be the registered parent/guardian for your child with GDOE. If you are not the registered parent/guardian, a P-EBT card WILL NOT be issued to you. If your child is an active member in another SNAP household, then a card will be issued to the head of household in that SNAP case.
- P-EBT Cards are issued to Child Protective Services (CPS) for children identified as a ward of the court or under the care of CPS. They will be contacting families directly.
- If the parent/guardian name is not listed, a DPHSS P-EBT Student Verification of Enrollment Form will be issued at the distribution site. This form will be taken back to the child's respective school where GDOE staff will complete and validate the form. Parents will then return the form to the troubleshooting table at the distribution site.
- Individuals, who have legal and/or temporary custody or Power of Attorney (POA), please ensure this guardianship is recorded and reflected in GDOE's PowerSchool system.

- Walk-ins are accepted.

Below are the dates, time and location for P-EBT Cards distribution for **registered parent/guardian whose child/children attend a GDOE School:**

P-EBT ISSUANCE SCHEDULE FOR GDOE PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS		
First Issuance	\$422.41	September 11, 2021
Second Issuance	\$310.83	September 18, 2021
Third Issuance	\$294.89	September 25, 2021
Final Issuance	\$215.19	September 30, 2021

For more information, please contact the P-EBT call center by calling 311 and dialing option 7 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Guam COVID-19 Vaccination Update

As of September 2, **362** additional residents received their first dose in a two-dose series, **94** residents received their dose in the single-dose series and an additional **289** residents have become fully vaccinated. To date, a total of **110,230 (80.88%)** of Guam's eligible population (residents 12 years and older) is fully vaccinated. This percentage includes **8,979** fully vaccinated residents between the ages of 12 – 17, as well as Guam's fully vaccinated adult population of **101,251**.

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

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GUAM COVID-19 UPDATE

JIC Release No. 775 Supplemental - *Data as of September 2, 2021*

COVID AREA RISK (CAR) SCORE: 46.8

CASE COUNT	TOTAL	REPORTED TODAY	PAST 7 DAYS	
COVID-19 CASES	11,106	197	1,060	
CONFIRMED	10,566	155	892	
PROBABLE	540	42	168	
TESTING	TOTAL	TODAY	7-DAY % POSITIVE	
DIAGNOSTIC	221,309	1,548	12.3%	
MOLECULAR	203,573	884	13.2%	
ANTIGEN	17,736	664	8.8%	
SEROLOGY	400	0	100.0%	
STATUS	TOTAL	ISOLATION LOCATION	TOTAL	
COVID-19 Death	151	Hospital	66	
Active Isolation	1,829	Home	1,568	
Not In Isolation	9,126	Isolation Facility	66	
Civilian	10,395	Military	129	
Military	711			
CENSUS	GMH	GRMC	USNH	TOTAL
COVID ADMISSION	26	22	3	51
IN ICU	1	6	2	9
ON VENTILATOR	0	0	1	1
Vaccine/Vaccinator	1st Doses	2nd Doses	Fully Immunized	
Pfizer-BioNTech	71,945	63,039	63,039	
Moderna	31,930	30,192	30,192	
Johnson & Johnson Janssen	-	-	5,800	
Department of Defense			10,458	
Guam National Guard			741	
TOTALS:	103,875	93,231	110,230 (12 years & older)	
Private Gov	Guam Total Administered	Total Allotted	% Administered	Doses Remaining
	202,906	243,980	83.17%	41,074