

## NEWS

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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Montgomery County Reports 29 New COVID-19 Cases and Two Deaths A Total Number of 8,348 Cases and 799 Deaths Have Been Reported

**Norristown, PA** (**June 30, 2020**) – Montgomery County officials and the Office of Public Health (OPH) today reported 29 additional individuals who tested positive for coronavirus and two who died of COVID-19 bringing the countywide total to 8,348 cases and 799 deaths. Five of the new cases are in long-term care facilities. None of the reported positive COVID-19 cases result from antibody testing.

"In an effort to focus on early detection and containment of any new outbreaks, the County has eliminated restrictions for testing so that anyone who needs or wants to be tested can be tested, whether or not they have symptoms. We have also expanded our contact tracing efforts to include a call back number for those who may have missed the call from our Department of Health regarding their results or status," said Dr. Valerie A. Arkoosh, Chair, Montgomery County Board of Commissioners. "As the coronavirus continues to remain in our community, each of us must be personally responsible for our actions and work together to minimize the spread of COVID-19 in Montgomery County."

Of the two individuals who died of COVID-19, one was a 92-year-old female who resided in a long-term care facility.

The 29 positive individuals are from 18 municipalities. Sixty-one municipalities have been affected. A breakdown of today's reported cases follows:

Age Range: 1 - 100

Gender: 18 females, 11 males

Hospitalized: (0) No, (29) Unknown, (0) Yes

Daily updates of new COVID-19 cases will be on the Montgomery County COVID-19 Data Hub. A summary of the total new COVID-19 cases for the previous seven-day period will be provided each Tuesday via press release. A virtual press briefing to announce the opening of additional COVID-19 walk-up testing sites is scheduled for Wednesday, July 1, at 3 p.m. and will be broadcast live on Montgomery County's Facebook page.

Montgomery County's **drive-through COVID-19 testing** location on the Central Campus of Montgomery County Community College **will close permanently on Tuesday**, **June 30**, **at 4 p.m. New walk-up testing sites and operations will be announced later this week.** 

The COVID-19 walk-up testing sites at the Delaware Valley Community Health Center in Norristown and the Montgomery County Office of Public Health Center in Pottstown will be closed Wednesday, July 1 through Friday, July 3. Details on the re-opening of these sites and their operations will be announced later this week.

Additional testing sites, many of which operate over the weekend, can be found at <a href="www.montcopa.org/COVID-19">www.montcopa.org/COVID-19</a> under the County Testing Information button.

COVID-19 contact tracing efforts are ongoing and are critical to slowing the spread of the disease. The County has partnered with ACLAMO, Family Services of Montgomery County, Montgomery County OIC, and Visiting Nurses Association Community Services to help with contact tracing efforts. Individuals who have been tested or identified as a direct contact of an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 and has received a call from any of our community partners may return the call to 610.278.5923 to find out their results or status. All information discussed on the call is strictly confidential and is only used to trace COVID-19 cases.

The COVID-19 outbreak continues to be a rapidly evolving situation. Please visit the Montco COVID-19 Data Hub at <a href="https://www.montcopa.org/covid-19">www.montcopa.org/covid-19</a> to get the latest news, geographic and demographic information, and updates.

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