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COVID-19 Hospital Census: 57; Preliminary Results: One New Case of COVID-19; Updated: COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing Clinic Schedule; P-EBT Update; Food Commodities Distribution Continues

57 Hospitalized for COVID-19 – 28 Unvaccinated

The Guam Memorial Hospital (GMH) and Guam Regional Medical City (GRMC) report the following COVID-19 hospital census, as of 5 p.m.:

CENSUS	GMH	GRMC	USNH	TOTAL
COVID-19 Admission	35	22	-	57
ICU	2	4	-	6
Ventilator	0	0	-	0
Vaccination Status	18 UNVACCINATED 1 INELIGIBLE	10 UNVACCINATED	UNAVAILABLE	28 UNVACCINATED 1 INELIGIBLE

Preliminary COVID-19 Test Results: One New Case

Today, the Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) reported a preliminary case count of **one (1)** new case of COVID-19 from **36** specimens analyzed on September 5. Additional results are pending analysis and submission from other clinics and will be reported on Tuesday, September 7.

Special Note: Free COVID-19 community testing is not available on government or observed holidays. There was no free COVID-19 community testing on Sunday, September 5, and Monday, September 6.

To date, there have been a total of 11,293 officially reported cases of COVID-19 with 151 deaths, 2,016 cases in active isolation, and 9,126 not in active isolation. As of September 3, the CAR Score is 46.8.

Free COVID-19 Testing Resumes Tuesday, September 7

COVID-19 COMMUNITY TESTING SCHEDULE – FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED			
Tuesday, September 7 - Saturday, September 11	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 <u>dphss.guam.gov/covid-19-testing</u> to download, print, and complete a <u>COVID-19 Testing Patient Assessment Form</u> 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.

COVID-19 Vaccination Schedule

COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINICS - Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson			
Tuesday, Sept. 7 - 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.	
Tuesday, Sept. 7 - Wednesday, Sept. 8	9 a.m 12 p.m.	DPHSS Southern Region Community Health Center, Inalåhan Call (671) 828-7604/5/7518 to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins welcome.	
Thursday, Sept. 9 and 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.	
Friday, Sept. 10	1 p.m 4 p.m.	DPHSS Northern Region Community Health Center, Dededo Call (671) 635-4418/7400 to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins welcome.	

P-EBT Updates

DPHSS will continue the distribution of Supplemental Assistance Program (SNAP) Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) Cards through Saturday, September 11. The P-EBT is federally funded and offered through the Food and Nutrition Services of the United States Department of Agriculture.

P-EBT Cards distribution is as follows:

P-EBT DISTRIBUTION SCHEDULE			
September 7 – 10	9 a.m 6 p.m.	Bureau of Economic Security (BES) Ran-Care Commercial Building – Tamuning 2 nd Floor (Located across National Office Supply)	
		Register at tinyurl.com/pebtguam	

September 11	10 a.m 4 p.m.	(Appointments only due to limited parking and lobby capacity)

Parents who visited the troubleshooting table at the initial site at the Micronesia Mall and were informed they will be contacted about their children's cases do not need to schedule an appointment. You will be informed when you can pick-up your child's card.

School-aged students are eligible for P-EBT if they:

- were eligible to receive free or reduced-price school meals under the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP); or
- received such meals because their school is participating in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) but did not receive meals at school due to COVID-related closures or virtual learning.

Requirements for P-EBT distribution are as follows:

- Registration at tinyurl.com/pebtguam
- Valid picture ID such as a Driver's License, Guam ID, military ID or Passport. Photocopies of IDs are not accepted.
- Written authorization is 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 the guardianship is recorded and reflected in GDOE's PowerSchool system.

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	

Benefits may be available between 12 a.m. and 7 p.m. on the dates specified above. P-EBT benefits are valid for one (1) year. School-aged students are eligible for P-EBT if they:

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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.

Food Commodities Distribution Continues

GDOE, State Agency for the Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) under the U.S. Department of Agriculture Food Nutrition Service distribution will be available to village constituents only on a first-come, first-served basis. Distribution is limited to three households

per vehicle at the sites. Face masks must be worn; bring a photo ID.

Date	Location	Distribution Method - While Supplies Last	# of Bags
Thursday, Sept. 9	Merizo	Door-to-Door distribution will begin at 10 a.m. on Thursday, September 9, for the Manamko (elderly), individuals with a disability, and those who have been furloughed. This is for 450 Merizo constituents only, while supplies last. For more information, contact the Merizo Mayor's Office at 828-2941/8312.	450
Friday, Sept. 10	Mangilao	Drive-thru distribution will be held on Friday, September 10, from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. at the Mangilao Night Market Grounds for 600 Mangilao constituents only, while supplies last. For more information, contact the Mangilao Mayor's Office at 734-2163.	600
	Yona	Drive-thru distribution will begin at 10 a.m. on Friday, September 10, at the Yona Gymnasium for 350 Yona constituents only, while supplies last. For more information, contact the Yona Mayor's Office at 789-1525/4798.	350

Commodities are also being provided, in bulk, to the community organizations. The organizations will receive an array of food commodities and will distribute the commodities directly to their clients/ families/households. The schedule of food commodities to be picked up

by the organization for this week is as follows:

Date	Organization	Distribution Method - While Supplies Last	# of clients/families/ households
Thursday, Sept. 9	Adult Day Care	Food commodities will be provided in bulk to the organization. The organization will distribute food commodities directly to their clients, families, and households.	100

Guam COVID-19 Vaccination Update

As of September 4, 466 additional residents received their first dose in a two-dose series, 90 residents received their dose in the single-dose series, and an additional 447 residents have become fully vaccinated. To date, a total of 111,062 (81.49%) of Guam's eligible population (residents 12 years and older) is fully vaccinated. This percentage includes 9,027 fully vaccinated residents between the ages of 12 - 17, as well as Guam's fully vaccinated adult population of 102,035.

For the latest information on COVID-19, visit <u>dphss.guam.gov</u> or <u>guamrecovery.com</u>. 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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