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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, is saddened to confirm an additional death related to COVID-19.

A man in his 70s, from Porter, died in the hospital. He had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.

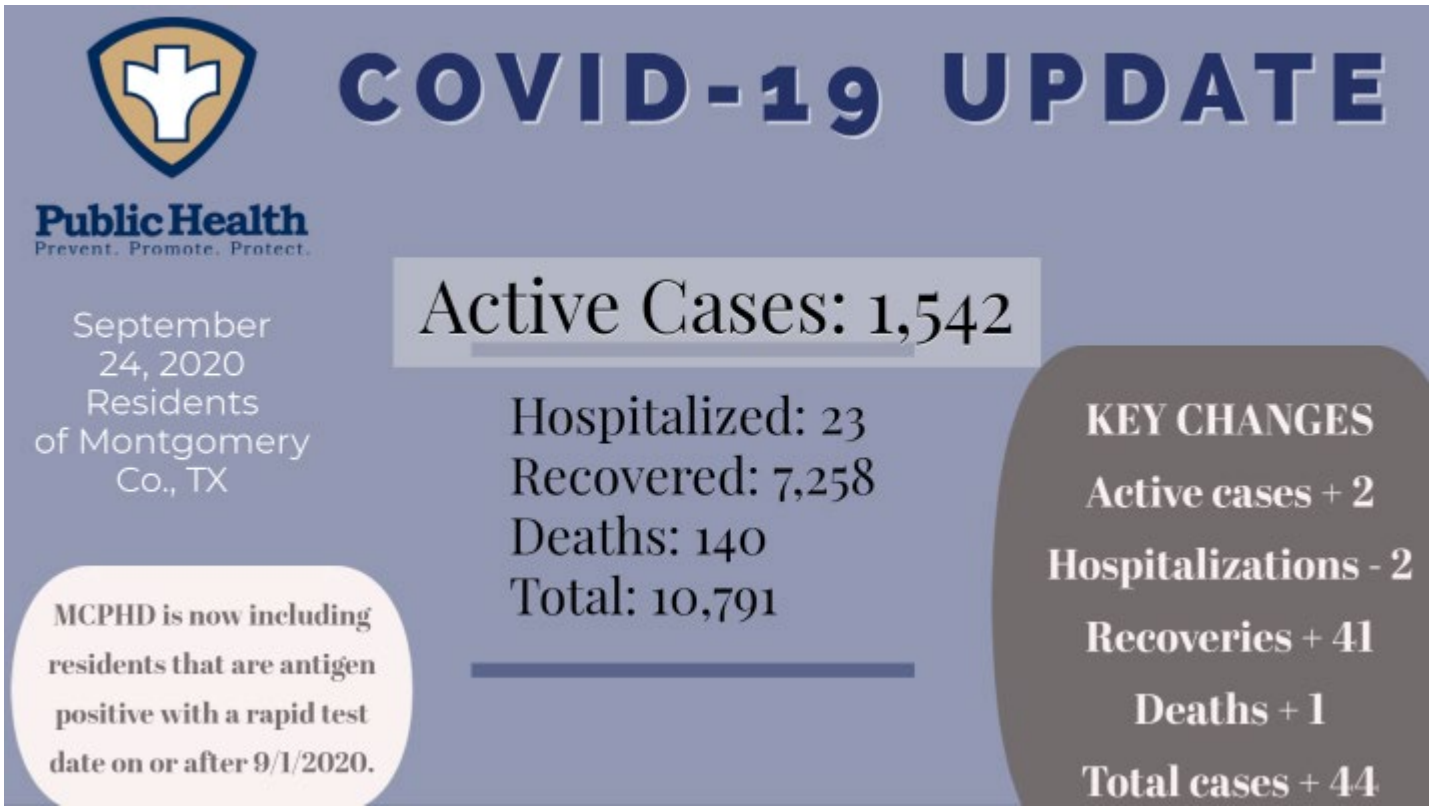
We can also confirm:

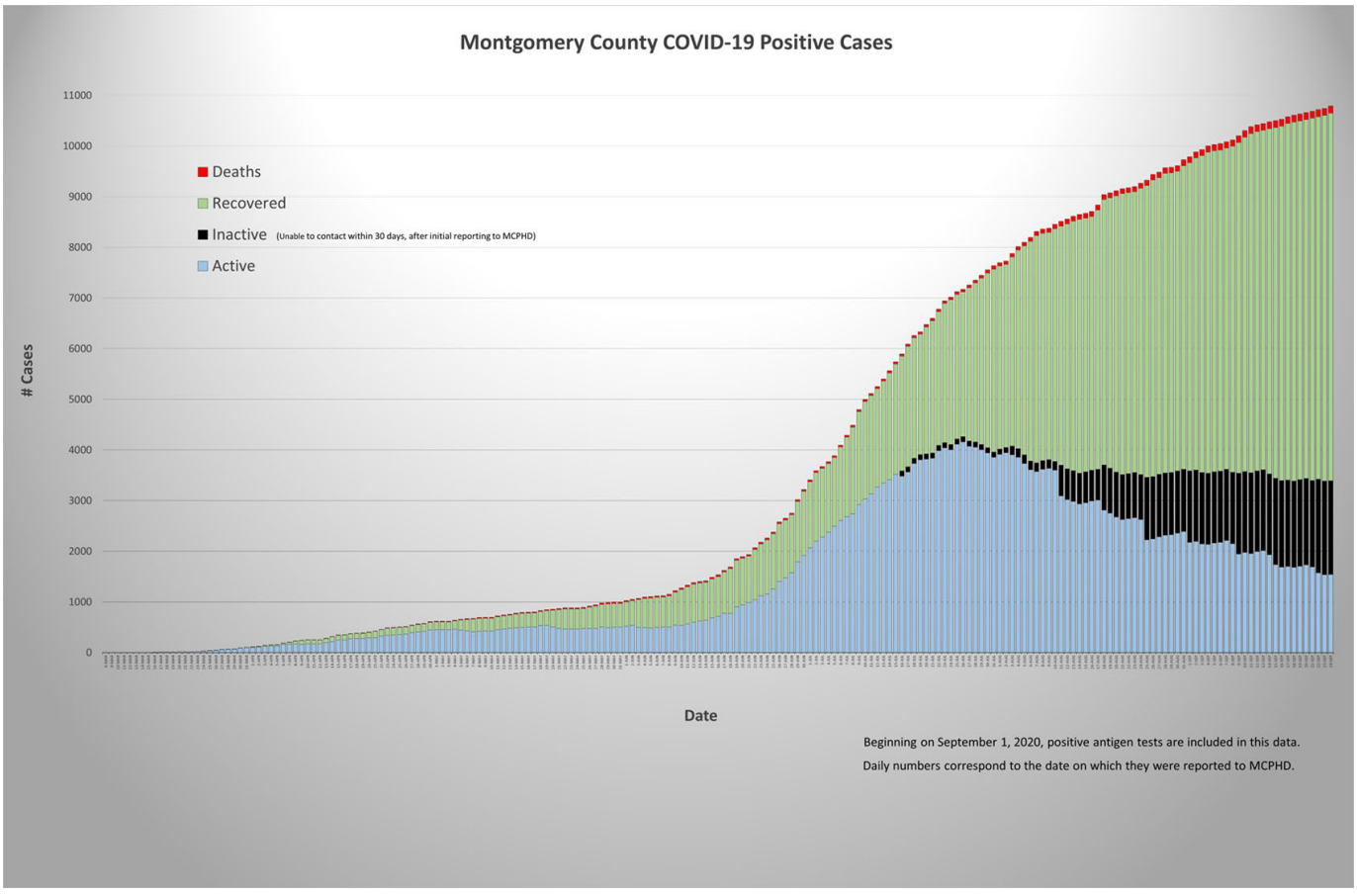
- TOTAL cases of COVID-19 increased by 44 to 10,791 since yesterday's (9/23) report. All cases were tested in the month of September.
- ACTIVE cases of COVID-19 increased by 2 to 1,542 since yesterday's (9/23) report.
- 23 residents are known to be in the hospital, as a result of contact investigations. Contact investigations have not been initiated on all reported cases.
- 7,258 people have clinically recovered.

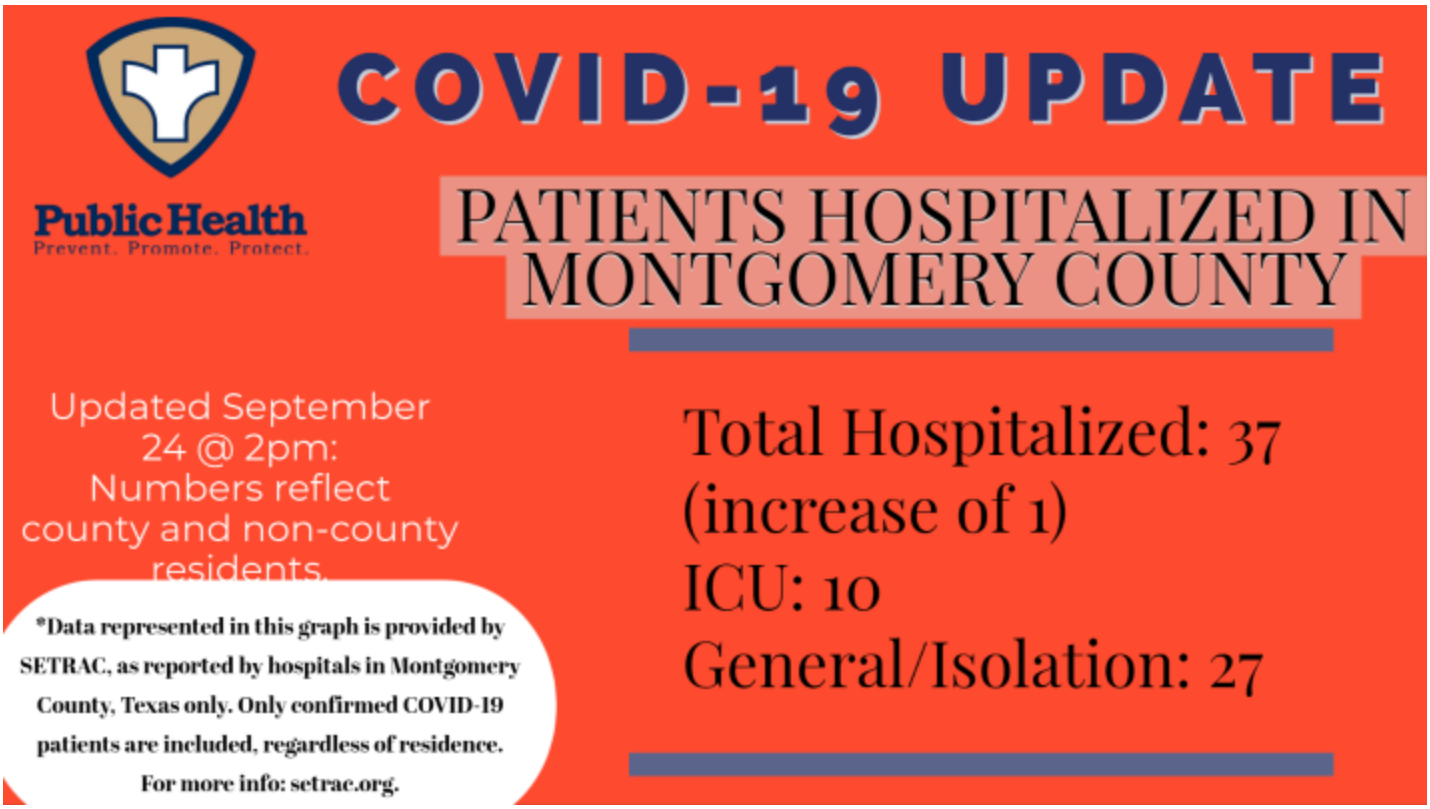
*These numbers include PCR and rapid testing results for Montgomery County residents. Antibody testing is not included. Have questions? Please go to https://mcphd-tx.org/ and scroll down to the FAQs.

Effective today, Texas Governor Greg Abbott announced new visitation guidance for eligible nursing homes, assisted living facilities, intermediate care facilities, home and community-based service providers, and inpatient hospice. Under the new rules, residents will be allowed to designate up to two essential family caregivers who will be provided necessary training to allow them to safely go inside a facility for a scheduled visit, including in the resident's room, to help ensure their loved one's physical, social, and emotional needs are being met. Designated caregivers will not be required to maintain physical distancing, but only one caregiver can visit a

resident at a time. For more information: https://gov.texas.gov/news/post/governor-abbott-expands-capacity-for-certain-services-in-texas-announces-guidance-for-nursing-home-long-term-care-visitations.







You can find more information on the SETRAC website, setrac.org.

Take steps to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community.

- If your children have started in-person school, teach them proper hygiene and the correct way to wear a mask. Encourage them to never share masks with others.
- Avoid groups of people.
- Practice social distancing.
- Wear a mask in public or with others outside your household.
- Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer frequently.
- Disinfect surfaces in your car and around your home.

You can view the case-by-case updates on the MCPHD website here: https://mcphd-tx.org/coronavirus-covid-19/confirmed-cases/. You can refer to the dashboard here: https://coronavirus-response-moco.hub.arcgis.com/.

Just a reminder, online registration is available for COVID-19 testing through the MCPHD/MCHD voucher program. Click on “Need to be tested?” on mchd-tx.org or mcphd-tx.org and follow the instructions.

The COVID-19 Call Center’s number is 936-523-3916. It is open Monday-Friday from 8:00am – 4:30pm.

Montgomery County Public Health District's mission is promoting a healthy, resilient community through health education, disease prevention, clinical services, and emergency preparedness. For more information about the Montgomery County Public Health District please go to www.mcphd-tx.org.