

Matagorda County Emergency Operation Center Press Release

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For Immediate Release:

Today's report, the MCHD officials are reporting no new positive case of COVID-19 for both yesterday and today. They report 30 pending cases, but some of those were tested so they could return to work. At this time, 2 patients are seeking care for COVID-19 and other conditions at the Matagorda Regional Medical Center.

Again there was no report from the Palacios Community Medical Center. The last report we received said 19 negative and 0 pending.

We will continue to provide press releases on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, unless something happens.

The daily numbers are being posted on the Matagorda Regional Medical center dashboard.

<https://www.matagordaregional.org/covid19>

Our county total is 66 positive cases, of which 37 are recovered. Matagorda County's number of active cases is now 24.

These numbers are provided to the Matagorda County Emergency Operation Center by the experts at the Texas Department of State Health Services. The Texas Department of State Health Services is the official source for these numbers. They serve as the Health Department for Matagorda County

The following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all parts of our community that are choosing to operate in Texas.

Under the direction of Governor Abbott, with the advice of the Lt. Governor, Speaker of the House, Attorney General, and Texas Comptroller:

The Governor's Strike Force to Open Texas will safely and strategically restart and revitalize all aspects of the Lone Star State—work, school, entertainment, and culture.

Please check out this site, it has hundreds of sites that offer you ways to re-open and stay safe.

<https://gov.texas.gov/organization/opentexas>

Open Texas Checklists

New, In Effect May 31, 2020

Day Youth Camp Operators

Day Youth Camp Families

Overnight Youth Camp Operators

Overnight Youth Camp Families

Professional Sports Without In-Person Spectators

Youth Sports Operators

Youth Sports Families

Here is a site for Day Care centers:

<https://gov.texas.gov/uploads/files/organization/opentexas/OpenTexas-Checklist-Child-Care-Centers.pdf>

For purposes of this checklist, “child care center” refers to both regulated child care centers, temporary licensed child care centers, home providers, and youth development organizations. The virus that causes COVID-19 can infect people of all ages. While the risk of serious illness or loss of life is greatest in those 65 years of age and older, persons in every age group can get COVID-19 and some will have a severe illness.

One thing is for certain: education and childcare are essential and we must find reasonably safe ways to restore these services so that our children can be cared for, educated and their parents and guardians can return to work. We must find ways to protect our children from COVID-19 and ensure that they do not bring the infection to others, such as other household members, who may be at high risk for severe infection or even loss of life.