

Matagorda County Emergency Operation Center Press Release

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For Immediate Release:

For our Memorial Day report, the MCHD officials are reporting one new positive case of COVID-19 today, a male between the ages of 60 and 70. The patient is recovering at home.

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 68 positive cases, of which 42 are recovered. Matagorda County's number of active cases is now 21.

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 Leagues (Updated May 22, 2020)

Public Health Considerations

The virus that causes COVID-19 can infect people of all ages. Research from the Centers for Disease Control, among others, has found that while children do get infected by COVID-19, relatively few children with COVID-19 are hospitalized. However, some severe outcomes have been reported in children, and a child with a mild or even asymptomatic case of COVID-19 can spread the infection to others who may be far more vulnerable.

While it is not possible to eliminate all risk of furthering the spread of COVID-19, the current science suggests there are many steps schools can take to reduce the risks to students, teachers, staff, and their families significantly.

Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas.