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ALLEGANY COUNTY COVID CASE RATE REMAINS ABOVE MARYLAND RATE

CUMBERLAND, MD – The Allegany County Health Department reports that the COVID-19 case rate in Allegany County remains well above the Maryland rate. The average daily case rate in the county is 56.6 cases per 100,000 population, more than three times the state rate of 16.81 cases per 100,000 population.

The highest COVID case rates in Maryland are found in jurisdictions with low vaccination rates including Allegany County. As of October 14, 45.8% of Allegany County residents were fully vaccinated against COVID-19, compared to 65.4% of all Marylanders.

Free COVID-19 vaccines are available locally at pharmacies, urgent care clinics, pediatric offices, and some primary care providers. Allegany County Health Department continues to offer COVID-19 vaccines on Wednesdays at the Willowbrook Office Complex, 12501 Willowbrook Road, Cumberland. Vaccinations are free and no appointment is needed. From 9 a.m. to 12 noon, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson COVID vaccines are offered. From 1 to 4:00 p.m., Pfizer vaccines are offered for those age 12 and older, including booster doses for eligible adults. Anyone under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

Free drive-thru COVID testing continues at the Allegany County Fairgrounds on Mondays from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m., and Wednesdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. You can pre-register for testing by going to health.maryland.gov/allegany and clicking on the testing pre-registration link under "COVID-19 Information" on the right side of the page.

Allegany County COVID-19 Case Statistics as of October 14:

- New COVID Cases: 117 since Tuesday (cumulative total 9,497)
- Additional Deaths: 3 since Tuesday (cumulative total 242)
- Cases Per 100,000 Population: 56.6 (Maryland: 16.81)
- Positivity Rate: 11.52% (Maryland: 3.79%)

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