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MEMORANDUM

July 2022 COVID-19 Report

Following is an update from the Westfield Regional Health Department on COVID-19 and monkeypox cases and immunization information for the month of July 2022.

COVID-19 Case Update

There were 188 cases of COVID-19 reported in Summit, NJ during the month of July (down from 210 in June). Transmission activity in Union County has increased and is now showing at a high level; statewide all but three southern counties are showing at a high level.

This week, New Jersey saw a daily average of 3,390 confirmed cases (up from 2,420 cases four weeks ago and down from 3,845 cases eight weeks ago) and eight average daily fatalities (unchanged from four weeks ago and down from 11 eight weeks ago). New Jersey has the fifteenth highest number of confirmed cases per capita last week (up from twenty ninth place last month). Statewide, New Jersey had an average of 1,133 hospitalizations this week, up from 884 last month. Overlook Medical Center reports 18 hospitalized patients last week.

COVID-19 Immunizations

New Jersey State Health Department data reports that 76.8% of all NJ residents are fully vaccinated. The Westfield Regional Health Department has given 90 vaccinations during the month of July with 3,958 doses of vaccine distributed by the WRHD to date.

Among the youngest NJ residents:

- 11% of residents ages six months to two years have had a single dose of vaccine;
- 21% of residents ages three to four years have had a single dose of vaccine.

Information on vaccinated residents can be found on the covid dashboard:

https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/covid2019_dashboard.shtml.

The WRHD continues to provide vaccinations for all age groups. Residents can also book appointments online by visiting www.westfieldnj.gov/vaccine-appointments or by calling 908-789-4070. Home visits continue to be offered as well.

Monkeypox (MPX)

The State of New Jersey is reporting 188 total monkeypox (MPX) cases, with 14 cases identified in Union County. More information on MPX can be found here:

<https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/monkeypox.shtml>.

The Westfield Regional Health Department anticipates the number of cases to rise in coming weeks and recommends that anyone at increased risk for contracting monkeypox should consider vaccination.

Those at increased risk include:

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- People with a known contact that have tested positive for orthopoxvirus or monkeypox virus within the past 14 days;
- People who attended an event where known monkeypox exposure occurred within the past 14 days; and
- People who identify as gay, bisexual, or men who have sex with men (MSM), and/or transgender, gender non-conforming, or gender non-binary and who have a history of multiple or anonymous sex partners within the past 14 days.

Individuals with direct exposure or contact that test positive for monkeypox should contact their local health department to schedule a vaccination. Residents can book appointments online by visiting www.westfieldnj.gov/vaccine-appointments or by calling 908-789-4070.

Individuals that are interested in pre-exposure vaccination should make an appointment at one of the following programs.

Bergen New Bridge Medical Center

Location: Annex 2 (white tent structure), 230 East Ridgewood Ave, Paramus

Phone: 800-730-2762

Website: www.newbridgehealth.org

Cooper Vaccine & Testing Clinic, Cooper University Hospital

Location: 300 Broadway, Camden

Phone: 856-968-7100

Hours: Monday-Thursday, 7am-8pm and Friday, 7am-5pm

Website: <https://my.cooperhealth.org/mychart/authentication/login>

Hyacinth AIDS Foundation/Project Living Out Loud!

Location: Jersey City

Phone: 201-706-3480

The Prevention Resource Network, a program of the Visiting Nurse Association of Central Jersey

Location: Asbury Park

Website: www.prnvnacj.org/

North Jersey Community Research Initiative (NJCRI)

Location: Newark

Phone: 973-483-3444 ext. 200