## **DSHS** Region 8



#### **Region 8 Responds**

The Regional Health and Medical Operations Center (RHMOC) is open 8am to 5pm Monday through Friday. Please send inquiries, questions, subscription requests or reports to Region8COVID-19@dshs.texas.gov or call 210-949-2121. Please Note: The Region 8 Daily Update is intended for emergency managers, elected officials, infection preventionists and public health stakeholders. We encourage you to share with appropriate entities, but we do not consent to posting the Daily Update on social media platforms. Anyone who would like to receive the Daily Update can request to be added to the distribution list by emailing Region8COVID-19@dshs.texas.gov

#### DSHS COVID-19 Dashboard Will be Updated on 12/11

The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) will update its dashboard effective Friday, December 11. The most significant changes will be the inclusion of probable cases and a change to calculated positivity rates.

**Probable Cases:** The DSHS Dashboard will add the reporting of probable cases statewide and at the county level. Probable cases are those identified through antigen testing or a combination of symptoms and a known exposure without a more likely diagnosis. They will be included in the calculations of active and recovered cases.

**Positivity Rates:** DSHS will retire the positivity rates by lab test reported date and case reported date in order to focus on the rate by specimen collection date, which provides the most accurate measure of the percentage of positive tests at a given point in time. In addition to the current positivity rate for molecular tests, DSHS will post a positivity rate calculation for antigen tests.

The changes to the cases reported on the DSHS COVID-19 Data Dashboard will result in closer alignment between what is reported on this Dashboard and the daily Region 8 COVID-19 Update. Region 8 currently reports county level data of probable cases and includes these cases in the calculation of active and recovered counts.

The DSHS DOVID-19 Data Dashboard can be found at: <a href="https://dshs.Texas.gov/coronavirus/">https://dshs.Texas.gov/coronavirus/</a>

#### COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Enrollment

To enroll as a COVID-19 vaccine provider go to the registration portal at <a href="mailto:EnrollTexasIZ.dshs.texas.gov">EnrollTexasIZ.dshs.texas.gov</a>. For questions or more information on the COVID-19 Vaccine Program, visit the <a href="mailto:DSHS COVID-19 website">DSHS COVID-19 website</a> or email <a href="mailto:COVID19VacEnroll@dshs.texas.gov">COVID19VacEnroll@dshs.texas.gov</a>. To see regional enrollment <a href="mailto:https://txdshs.quickbase.com/db/bqx23e68f">https://txdshs.quickbase.com/db/bqx23e68f</a>

### WEBINAR on December 10: COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution: Legal Issues and Challenges

The Network for Public Health Law is hosting a webinar on December 10 from 1 to 2:00 p.m. CT. The webinar will examine: 1) legal issues arising from devising equitable and efficient vaccine allocation plans, including the relevance of ongoing emergency declarations, potential legal challenges to allocation plans, and available liability protections; and 2) the process used by governmental agencies when considering recommending a novel vaccine.

### **Register**

#### Moderator:

 Leila Barraza, JD, MPH, Senior Consultant, Network for Public Health Law – Western Region Office

#### Presenters:

- Jennifer L. Piatt, JD, Research Scholar, Senior Attorney, Network for Public Health Law-Western Region Office, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Arizona State University
- Doug Campos-Outcalt, MD, MPA, Senior Lecturer, Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health, University of Arizona; Clinical Professor, College of Medicine – Phoenix, University of Arizona

#### **COVID-19 Testing Sites**

**Registration** for mobile testing sites is now available at <a href="https://Texas.curativeinc.com/welcome">https://Texas.curativeinc.com/welcome</a>. For walk-up sites, you can register on site. For more information on additional test sites state-wide, visit <a href="https://txcovidtest.org">https://txcovidtest.org</a>. For more information on San Antonio testing sites, click <a href="here">here</a>. Hospitals and doctors' offices may also provide testing.



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Coronavirus
Update
12/7/2020

#### **COVID-19 Cases at a Glance**

		Texas		USA		World		
		1,258,214		14,636,914		66,422,058		
	Case Type			Status			Summary	
REGION 8	Pending Investigation	Confirmed	Probable	Active	Recovered	Deaths	Total	New
	2548	110921	19242	7136	123337	2242	132711	+1435
Counties								
Atascosa	286	1503	348	168	1951	18	2137	+14
Bandera	59	248	60	42	322	3	367	+5
Bexar~	0	71991	14995	3424	82165	1397	86986	+102
Calhoun	41	987	34	34	1020	8	1062	+1
Comal	0	3466	1514	590	4262	132	4980	+52
DeWitt	0	1230	0	97	1076	57	1230	+5
Dimmit	25	342	22	14	371	4	389	-
Edwards	17	107	8	17	115	0	132	-
Frio	140	861	105	104	997	5	1106	+6
Gillespie	198	660	119	188	786	3	977	+17
Goliad	1	183	54	1	233	4	238	-
Gonzales	120	1218	42	75	1295	10	1380	+10
Guadalupe	495	4347	540	312	5024	46	5382	+16
Jackson	85	770	35	47	835	8	890	+3
Karnes	46	497	31	19	546	9	574	+4
Kendall	238	523	270	119	906	6	1031	+12
Kerr	271	931	213	222	1181	12	1415	+17
Kinney	6	53	1	6	54	0	60	-
LaSalle	0	217	11	62	162	4	228	+10
Lavaca	130	1332	93	67	1475	13	1555	+5
Maverick	0	5125	0	517	4458	150	5125	+66
Medina	97	1217	526	127	1678	35	1840	+45
Real	9	137	3	11	136	2	149	-
Uvalde	0	1247	40	85	1159	43	1287	+42
Val Verde	0	3429	0	346	2940	143	3429	+36
Victoria	0	5217	9	254	4871	101	5226	+30
Wilson	168	1179	137	114	1349	21	1484	+10
Zavala	71	640	32	51	684	8	743	+1
	I/ICE Facilit							
TDCJ†	0	810	0	8	802	0	810	+7
ICE‡	43	327	0	15	355	0	370	-
Other§	2	127	0	0	129	0	129	-
	_		_	(32); Medina: N		-		: Connall
	aSalle: Cotul	. ,,				,,	,,	
Frio County	(256), Karne	es County (1	56), LaSalle	County (15)				
Atascosa C	ounty Jail (14	l), Dimmit Co	unty Jail (2	5), Guadalupe C				
			acility (42),	Kinney County	Det. Facility	(37), Uvalde Co		
	se Summar	у					Total	New
кнмос							25269	+215
						nmunity Cases	23960	+208
					ınmate⊤/De	tainee‡ Cases	1309	+7

<sup>~</sup>Bexar County Active & Recovered Counts estimated by percentages reported on <u>SAMHD COVID Table Data</u>



Local Health Entities\*

\*Bexar, Comal, DeWitt, Goliad, LaSalle, Maverick, Val Verde & Victoria Counties

+1220

+1435

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TOTAL 132711