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Montgomery County Reports 149 New COVID-19 Cases and Eight Deaths *A Total Number of 5,790 Cases and 474 Deaths Have Been Reported*

Norristown, PA (May 16, 2020) – Montgomery County officials and the Office of Public Health (OPH) today reported 149 additional individuals who tested positive and eight individuals who died of COVID-19 bringing the countywide total to 5,790 cases and 474¹ deaths. Forty-nine of the new cases are in long-term care facilities.

“Thanks to the many personal sacrifices made, and continue to be made by Montgomery County residents, our case numbers from the community are trending downward. This is encouraging news and points to the positive impact that staying at home and social distancing is having,” said Dr. Valerie A. Arkoosh, Chair, Montgomery County Board of Commissioners. “Please continue to stay home except for essential work or errands. We are all in this together, and together we will beat COVID-19.”

Of the eight individuals who died of COVID-19, two had been hospitalized, five resided in long-term care facilities, and their ages ranged from 81-years-old to 100-years-old. Of those individuals, five were female and three were male.

The 149 positive individuals are from 36 municipalities. Sixty-two municipalities have been affected. A breakdown of today’s reported cases follows:

Age Range: 2 - 102
Gender: 91 females, 58 males
Hospitalized: (3) No, (146) Unknown, (0) Yes

The next update on COVID-19 cases and mitigation efforts will be given on Monday, May 18, 2020. There will be no update on Sunday, May 17, 2020.

Montgomery County’s drive-through COVID-19 testing location on the Central Campus of Montgomery County Community College will be open for the week on Sunday, May 17, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., **by appointment only for individuals that meet the required criteria and as testing supplies allow.** No treatment will be given on-site. For more information and to register for an appointment, visit www.montcopa.org/COVID-19 or call 610.631.3000 on Sunday, May 17, starting at 8 a.m.

The COVID-19 outbreak continues to be a rapidly evolving situation. Please visit the Montco COVID-19 Data Hub at www.montcopa.org/covid-19 to get the latest news, geographic and demographic information, and updates.

¹Death case data has been updated to reflect the correction of an earlier incorrectly reported death.