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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Montgomery County Reports 297 New COVID-19 Cases and Six Deaths Over Seven Days *A Total Number of 9,091 Cases and 817 Deaths Were Reported*

Norristown, PA (July 21, 2020) – Montgomery County officials and the Office of Public Health (OPH) today reported COVID-19 test results and deaths for the seven days July 15 to July 21, 2020. Two hundred ninety-seven (July 15: 58, July 16: 30, July 17: 55, July 18: 33, July 19: 49, July 20: 32, July 21: 40) additional individuals tested positive for coronavirus, and six individuals died of COVID-19, bringing the countywide total to 9,091 cases and 817 deaths. Eight of the new cases are in long-term care facilities. None of the reported positive COVID-19 cases resulted from antibody testing.

“While our positivity rate is holding steady, I want to remind Montgomery County residents that it is absolutely critical that we all continue to wear masks when outside of our homes and practice social distancing. If you do not feel well, please stay at home,” said Dr. Valerie A. Arkoosh, Chair, Montgomery County Board of Commissioners. “If you test positive, please cooperate with contact tracing. These simple steps will keep the virus at the current level, allow our businesses to continue to operate and our children to go back to school this fall.”

Of the six individuals who died of COVID-19, all of them resided in long-term care facilities, and their ages ranged from 79-years-old to 101-years-old. All of the individuals were female.

The 297 positive individuals are from 48 municipalities. Sixty-one municipalities have been affected. A breakdown of today’s reported cases follows:

Age Range: 1 - 96
Gender: 161 females, 136 males

The next update on COVID-19 cases and mitigation efforts will be on Wednesday, July 21, at 3 p.m., via a press briefing which will be streamed live on [Montgomery County’s Facebook page](#).

There are several no-cost **COVID-19 community testing sites** located throughout Montgomery County for all ages, except infants. No prescription is required. These self-administered tests are by appointment only, do not require a vehicle, are available for individuals who live or work in Montgomery County, and want or need to be tested. The sites are outdoors and are subject to closure on short notice due to inclement weather. Please check weather forecasts and the [COVID-19 Data Hub](#) for weather-related updates. To register for testing, visit www.montcopa.org/COVID-19, and select County Testing Information or call 610.970.2937 on the date of the intended appointment. Registration opens at 8:30 a.m. Monday through Friday and will remain open until all slots are filled and as long as testing supplies allow. Spanish-speaking operators are available.

Ardmore – 114 W. Lancaster Ave., Ardmore, PA. Testing is available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 2 p.m.

Green Lane – Deep Creek and Snyder Roads, Green Lane, PA. Testing is available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 2 p.m.

Lansdale – 421 W. Main St., Lansdale, PA. Testing is available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 2 p.m.

Norristown – Delaware Valley Community Health Center at the Norristown Regional Health Center at 1401 Dekalb St., Norristown, PA. Testing is available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10 a.m. to noon, and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Pottstown – Montgomery County Office of Public Health, 364 King St., Pottstown, PA. Testing is available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from noon to 2 p.m., and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Willow Grove – Montgomery County Office of Public Health, 102 N. York Road, Willow Grove, PA. Testing is available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from noon to 2 p.m., and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

While the above locations will be closed on Saturday and Sunday, information on **additional testing sites**, many of which operate over the weekend, can be found at www.montcopa.org/COVID-19 under the County Testing Information button.

COVID-19 contact tracing efforts are ongoing and are critical to slowing the spread of the disease. The County has partnered with ACLAMO, Family Services of Montgomery County, Montgomery County OIC, and Visiting Nurses Association Community Services to help with contact tracing efforts. Individuals who have been tested or identified as a direct contact of an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 and has received a call from the ‘Results Center’ or any of our community partners may return the call to 610.278.5923 to find out their results or status. All information discussed on the call is strictly confidential and is only used to trace COVID-19 cases.

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.

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COVID-19 Weekly Report – July 15, 2020 through July 21, 2020

Date	Cases	Case Type				Age Distribution									Genders			Municipalities Affected
		Community	LTC	Other Congregate*	Unknown	Range**	Average**	0-19	20-39	40-59	60-79	80-99	100+	Unknown	Male	Female	Unknown	
Wednesday 7/15	58	58	0	0	0	1-72	35.1	15	18	18	7	0	0	0	22	36	0	28
Thursday 7/16	30	28	1	1	0	1-69	28.1	9	14	6	1	0	0	0	18	12	0	18
Friday 7/17	55	53	1	1	0	1-74	37.4	10	22	15	8	0	0	0	27	28	0	28
Saturday 7/18	33	31	1	1	0	9-82	34.8	7	15	7	3	1	0	0	16	17	0	16
Sunday 7/19	49	47	2	0	0	8-96	37.5	10	20	9	7	3	0	0	17	32	0	26
Monday 7/20	32	32	0	0	0	11-87	36.1	11	7	9	4	1	0	0	17	15	0	19
Tuesday 7/21	40	34	3	3	0	1-96	40.5	8	12	14	2	4	0	0	19	21	0	21
Weekly Total	297	283	8	6	0	1-96	36.0	70	108	78	32	9	0	0	136	161	0	48
Previous Week	222	204	14	4	0	1-91	35.9	54	87	52	18	11	0	0	89	133	0	47
Difference	+75	+79	-6	+2	-	N/A	+0.1	+16	+21	+26	+14	-2	-	-	+47	+28	-	+1
Overall Total	9091	6195	2442	450	4	1-110	52.5	601	2451	2510	2034	1467	26	2	4239	4818	34	61

*Other Congregate includes the Montgomery County Correctional Facility (MCCF), State Correctional Institution – Phoenix (SCI-Phoenix), Norristown State Hospital, behavioral health facilities, and other congregated living settings that do not meet the definition of Long Term Care (LTC) facilities.

**Ages less than 1 are listed as 1 for the purposes of the age range and average age.

Date	Deaths	Age Range	Genders		Location of Death				Race Information						
			Male	Female	Hospital	LTC	Residence / Other	Unknown	Asian	Asian Indian	Asian Korean	Black	White	Unknown***	
Wednesday 7/15	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Thursday 7/16	3	92-101	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Friday 7/17	2	84-91	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Saturday 7/18	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sunday 7/19	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Monday 7/20	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuesday 7/21	1	79	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Weekly Total	6	79-101	0	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0
Previous Week	11	63-95	3	8	2	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	2
Difference	-5	N/A	-3	-2	-2	-2	-1	-	-	-	-	-	-1	-2	-2
Overall Total	817	36-104	380	437	N/A				18	3	3	99	321	373	

***Race not provided by Coroner's Office.