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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Montgomery County Reports 287 New COVID-19 Cases and Two Deaths Over Seven Days *A Total Number of 11,501 Cases and 830 Deaths Were Reported*

Norristown, PA (September 15, 2020) – Montgomery County officials and the Office of Public Health (OPH) today reported COVID-19 test results and deaths for the seven day period from September 9 to September 15, 2020. Two hundred eighty-seven (September 9: 41, September 10: 34, September 11: 36, September 12: 26, September 13: 27, September 14: 55, September 15: 68) additional individuals tested positive for coronavirus, and two individuals died of COVID-19, bringing the countywide total to 11,501 cases and 830 deaths. Three of the new cases are in long-term care facilities. None of the reported positive COVID-19 cases resulted from antibody testing.

“Unfortunately, we continue to see an increase in the number of confirmed positive COVID-19 cases in Montgomery County this week,” said Dr. Valerie A. Arkoosh, Chair, Montgomery County Board of Commissioners. “I cannot stress enough how important it is to cooperate with contact tracing, wear a mask when around people who are not in your household, maintain six feet of physical distance and be very cautious at or avoid social gatherings. Let’s each do our part to keep our families and our community safe!”

One of the individuals who died of COVID-19 resided in a long-term care facility.

The 287 positive individuals are from 50 municipalities. Sixty-two municipalities have been affected. A breakdown of today’s reported cases follows:

Age Range: 3 - 87
Gender: 145 females, 141 males, 1 unknown

The next update on COVID-19 cases and mitigation efforts will be on Wednesday, September 16, 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. 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.

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. **This site will be closed on Friday, September 18 and will reopen on Monday, September 21.** Testing is normally 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 –First Baptist Church - Crestmont, 1678 Fairview Ave., 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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Montgomery County COVID-19 Weekly Report – September 9, 2020 through September 15, 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 9/9	41	41	0	0	0	10-84	28.0	17	17	5	1	1	0	0	17	24	0	25
Thursday 9/10	34	34	0	0	0	7-86	36.9	8	12	8	5	1	0	0	18	15	1	23
Friday 9/11	36	35	1	0	0	11-78	32.3	15	10	7	4	0	0	0	18	18	0	19
Saturday 9/12	26	25	1	0	0	18-68	34.8	7	9	6	4	0	0	0	17	9	0	19
Sunday 9/13	27	27	0	0	0	11-73	35.5	7	9	9	2	0	0	0	13	14	0	17
Monday 9/14	55	55	0	0	0	8-83	31.0	16	25	10	3	1	0	0	26	29	0	27
Tuesday 9/15	68	66	1	1	0	3-87	33.7	19	29	10	7	3	0	0	32	36	0	30
Weekly Total	287	283	3	1	0	3-87	32.8	89	111	55	26	6	0	0	141	145	1	50
Previous Week	330	315	11	4	0	1-95	35.8	77	128	81	32	12	0	0	158	172	0	54
Difference	-43	-32	-8	-3	-	N/A	-3.0	+12	-17	-26	-6	-6	-	-	-17	-27	+1	-4
Overall Total	11501	8475	2501	522	3	1-110	49.2	1109	3359	3151	2323	1531	26	2	5414	6048	39	62

*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 9/9	1	56	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Thursday 9/10	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friday 9/11	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Saturday 9/12	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sunday 9/13	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Monday 9/14	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuesday 9/15	1	80	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Weekly Total	2	56-80	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Previous Week	1	85	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Difference	+1	N/A	+2	-1	+1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+1	+1	-1
Overall Total	830	36-104	387	443	N/A				18	3	3	103	327	376	

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