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Trinidad and Tobago COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) Update # 440

Port-of-Spain, September 5th 2020: As part of the national drive to safeguard the health of the Trinidad and Tobago population in the face of the global COVID-19 outbreak, the Ministry of Health continues to provide up-to-date information on the country's status in this regard.

The population is reminded to source your information only from official sources, such as the Ministry of Health.

The Ministry of Health provides the following clinical update as of the **morning of Saturday 5th September, 2020:**

Number of samples submitted to the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA), the UWI and other local sites for testing for COVID-19.	24,692
Number of unique patient tests completed	21,770
Number of repeated tests	2,922
Number of samples which have tested positive at public and private facilities in Trinidad and Tobago	2,142
Total number of active cases	1,393
Number of deaths	32
Number of persons discharged	717



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The Ministry of Health also provides the following update:

- One hundred and two (102) additional persons have tested positive for COVID-19. These are results from samples taken during the period August 28th to September 4th, 2020. Therefore, this figure is NOT representative of the positive cases over the last 24 hours only.
- It should be noted that, of the one hundred and two (102) COVID-19 positive cases reported, thirty-three (33) of these refer to persons who were already housed at a public health quarantine facility and have not been in circulation within the national community. All established protocols have been implemented.
- The Ministry of Health regrets to inform the public that there is an additional COVID-19 related death. The person is an adult male with co-morbidities. This brings the total number of COVID19 related deaths to 32.
- Ten (10) additional persons have been discharged.

COVID-19 Positive Patients in Hospital – (100)

One thousand one hundred and eighty five (1,185) patients have been home isolated under the continuous monitoring of the respective County Medical Officer Health (CMOH) offices.

Sixty-nine (69) patients will be processed for admission at the discretion of the CMOHs.

Couva Hospital and Multi-Training Facility	75 5 (ICU) 11 (HDU)
Caura Hospital	25

COVID-19 Positive Patients in Step-down / Transition Facilities – (39)

Brooklyn Facility, Sangre Grande	0
Balandra	0
Tacarigua	0
UWI, Debe	4
UWI, Canada Hall	0
UWI, Freedom Hall	33
NAPA	2



Intensive Care Units (ICUs) are hospital wards that provide treatment for people who are very ill. They are staffed with health care professionals who are trained in ICU treatment and the use of sophisticated monitoring equipment.

High Dependency Units (HDUs) are wards for people who need more observation, treatment and nursing care than is possible in a general ward but slightly less than that given in an Intensive Care Unit.

An Ambulatory Patient is able to walk about and is not bedridden.

If you or a loved one develops symptoms of COVID-19, please call the hotline 877-WELL or 800-WELL (9355) for further guidance. If the person is severely ill, call the 811 (emergency hotline) or call ahead to the Accident and Emergency Department of your nearest hospital for help and go in immediately.

The Government of Trinidad and Tobago will continue to update the public via its official communication channels such as the Ministry of Health's website (health.gov.tt) and its relevant social media pages.

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