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THIRTY-SIX (36) NEW COVID-19 CASES

Thirty (36) new COVID-19 positive cases were reported from one hundred and sixty-four (164) samples collected on Friday October 22nd, 2021, resulting in a positivity of 21.9%. Thirty-two (32) rapid antigen positive results were reported from flu clinics on October 22nd, 2021.

HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS

There are currently seven (7) patients admitted for COVID-19 at the Argyle Isolation Facility. All are unvaccinated. Twenty-seven (27) patients are admitted to the COVID-19 wards at the Milton Cato Memorial Hospital. Twenty-four (24) patients are unvaccinated, and one (1) patient is fully vaccinated and two (2) are partially vaccinated.

COVID-19 DEATHS

No new deaths were recorded over the reporting period.

COVID-19 SUMMARY

No new recoveries were noted over the reporting period. One thousand seven hundred and eighty-two (1782) cases are currently active and sixty (60) persons with COVID-19 have died. Four thousand and eight hundred and fifty (4850) cases of COVID-19 and three thousand and eight (3008) recoveries have been recorded in St. Vincent and the Grenadines since March 2020.

In view of the confirmed presence of the Delta, Mu and Gamma variants in the community and the significant increase in the number of new infections, transmission, severe COVID-19 disease and deaths, strict enforcement and compliance with all protocols and recommendations by everyone is strongly recommended. The correct and consistent use of masks, avoidance of crowds, physical distancing, proper hand sanitizing and immunization with available vaccines have all been proven to significantly reduce the risk of being infected, getting sick and or dying from the COVID-19 virus.