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Tioga County COVID-19 Update for February 2, 2022 – February 8, 2022

COVID-19 case breakdown in Tioga County from February 2, 2022 – February 8, 2022

(Please Note: Data does not include positive at-home tests)

- **New Cases: 188**
 - **Ages 0 – 17: 35**
 - **Ages 18 – 64: 129**
 - **Ages 65+: 24**
- **Hospitalizations: 7**
- **(Known) Deaths: 0**
- **Current Active Cases: 83**

New York State Case Investigators are now conducting abbreviated interviews with positive cases and do not ask vaccination status (among other questions) when conducting their interview.

Additional data is available at <https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/covid-19-testing-tracker>.

Just a reminder that in January, New York State suspended contact tracing. The responsibility of notifying close contacts now falls back on the individual who has tested positive for COVID-19. If you test positive for COVID-19, please reach out to anyone you have had close contact with and notify them of their exposure so that they may monitor themselves for symptoms and get tested. Those who are identified as a close contact who have not received the COVID-19 vaccine, are not fully vaccinated, or who are not boosted but are now eligible should quarantine at home for 5 days from their exposure and consider getting tested on day 5 or if symptoms develop.

Self-reports from those who have tested positive for COVID-19 are administered via online portals. If you test positive, please follow these directions:

- **Laboratory Confirmed Test (ex. PRC test):** Test results are sent directly to the New York State reporting system. You will receive a phone call from a New York State Case Investigator who will conduct a brief interview with you over the phone and an isolation order will be issued.
- **At-Home Test:** If you test positive for COVID-19 using an over-the-counter at-home test, please visit our website at ph.tiogacountyny.gov for further direction. If you need documentation for school or work, you may complete the self-attestation form found on our website. Our office does not issue any additional documentation for positive at-home tests.

We strongly recommend you verify with your employer whether or not they will accept at-home test results, or if they require a laboratory confirmed test.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your illness, please contact your health care provider.
If you have additional questions, please contact our office at 607-687-8600 (option 1).

COVID-19 Resources:

- COVID-19 Vaccine Locations: <https://www.vaccines.gov/>
- Find a COVID-19 Test Site Near You: <https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/find-test-site-near-you>
- COVID-19 State Run Testing Locations: <https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/covid-19-testing>
- New York State Dashboard: <https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/covid-19-testing-tracker>
- Tioga County Public Health Website: ph.tiogacountyny.gov
- Tioga County Public Health Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/tiogacountypublichealth>