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Tioga County Weekly Update for March 2, 2022 – March 8, 2022

On March 14, 2020 Tioga County saw our first confirmed case of COVID-19. Looking back, it's truly overwhelming how much we have all gone through over the last two years. We have all been impacted by missed time with our families and friends. Businesses in our community have been pushed to their limits to keep their doors open. Students have been forced to adapt while they struggle to get a normal education. But nothing compares to the devastating losses that our community has been through from losing parents, grandparents, siblings, other family members, friends, coworkers, nursing home residents, and more to COVID-19.

While the early days of COVID-19 brought so much fear and uncertainty, the last year has also given us hope. On December 11, 2020, Pfizer became the first vaccine to receive Emergency Use Authorization. On January 13, 2021, Tioga County held our first Moderna Vaccination Clinic where we were able to vaccinate 100 Essential Workers. Since then, we have been able to hold over 50 COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics just in Tioga County alone, where we have been able to vaccinate those as young as 5 years old. We have also seen treatment options become available that have proven to be effective when given early on.

Unfortunately, our community continues to be impacted by COVID-19. We still have residents suffering from more severe COVID-19 infections, and we continue to experience losses. COVID-19 is still here and we will continue to encourage Tioga County residents to be vigilant and take appropriate steps to protect themselves against this virus.

We acknowledge the fatigue that everyone is feeling after dealing with so much the last two years. It's time we continue moving forward and adapt to what life is like with COVID-19. There is no way to know what might come next for COVID-19, but our team will continue monitoring the spread of this virus throughout our community and will follow important updates from New York State Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control. We will communicate with Tioga County and share any important updates or announcements. Those interested in following COVID-19 case updates may visit <https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/covid-19-testing-tracker>.

We want to thank the entire Tioga County Community for your support throughout this pandemic. The last two years have been anything but easy on our Public Health Team, but we will continue, as we have been, to be there for our community, ready with whatever comes next!

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

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

- **New Cases:** 39
- **Hospitalizations:** 2
- **(Known) Deaths:** 1
- **Current Active Cases:** 25

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.

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 Data 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>