Mission:

To protect, promote & improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county & community efforts.



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Vision: To be the Healthiest State in the Nation

Franklin County COVID-19 Update 01/29/2021

Snapshot: 01/15/21 - 01/28/21

Positivity during this timeframe: 16%*

Positive tests this timeframe: 118

Total tests this timeframe: **761**

*Positivity = the number of people who test positive in a week divided by all the people tested that week.

Totals Since the Beginning:

Residents who've received the

COVID-19 Vaccine: **1,207**

Positive long term care (staff and

residents): 76

Overall hospitalizations: 22

State Positivity: 14% (as of 01/28/21)

Median Age in Franklin: 44

Here are the Franklin County testing numbers as of 2:00pm today: (see above)

For the full county COVID-19 profile report please visit:

http://ww11.doh.state.fl.us/comm/ partners/covid19 report archive/cases-monitoring-and-pui-information/county-report/county reports latest.pdf

Available hospital bed capacity, including ICU capacity in neighboring counties, can be found using this link.

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For Franklin County COVID-19 updates straight to your phone: text FranklinCV19 to 888777.

Florida Department of Health in Franklin County: (850) 653-2111 Florida Department of Health in Gulf County: 850-227-1276

There is also a hotline available at 1 (866) 779-6121 or email COVID-19@flhealth.gov.

Follow the <u>CDC.gov</u> website for the latest guidance on COVID-19 and check out Floridahealth.gov to keep up with state-specific updates.

WHAT YOU'LL FIND IN TODAY'S UPDATE:

- Franklin County COVID-19 Profile Report 01/28/2021. (See link on page 1)
- Updated County Health Department Message (A Message From Your CHD, page 2)

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Vaccine Update. Our goal is to continue to support our communities and keep our residents healthy. To date, there are 1,207 Franklin and 1,587 Gulf residents who have received the COVID-19 vaccine. We know many residents are still waiting for their vaccine appointment. We understand this is a stressful time, but we will get to you just as soon as we can and appreciate your patience. In the meantime, please continue to follow the CDC guidance: wear a mask when unable to safely social distance, keep hands clean, stay home when sick, and avoid large crowds.

We are aware of the statewide preregisteration system, however we will continue using our locally developed preregistration system at this time. Please call us if you have questions. You can reach us in Franklin County at (850) 653-2111 or in Gulf County at (850) 227-7587.

Positivity Trends. Positivity trends are going down, we would like to see this get back under 10% again. Keep follow the CDC guidance and we are going to get through this.

Quarantine. If you are waiting on your COVID-19 test results, please STAY HOME. Do not go to work or other places that could expose others. While we are trying really hard to keep students in school, if your child(ren) have pending test results, please keep them home while you WAIT for those results. Sending students to school when they are positive could result in more students having to quarantine and miss school.

LOCAL UPDATES:



PLEDGE TO PROTECT

Pledge to Protect is a voluntary program in which Franklin County tourism businesses commit to clean and healthy standards for their guests and employees to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Visit Pledge to Protect at:

https://www.floridasforgottencoast.com/pledgetoprotect/

By taking the Pledge to Protect, businesses are committing to:

- Proper Use of Personal Protective Equipment
- Routine Cleaning and Disinfecting of Surfaces and Equipment
- Practicing Social Distancing and Minimized Contact
- Enforcing Any Sick Employees to Stay Home

GOVENOR'S UPDATES:

To see all of Gov. DeSantis Executive Orders regarding COVID-19, visit: https://www.flgov.com/covid-19/.

STAYING INFORMED:

To get the latest information, visit FloridaHealth.gov and follow on Social Media:

Florida Department of Health: <u>Twitter @HealthyFla</u> -or- <u>Facebook Florida Department of Health (DOH)</u>
Franklin County Florida Emergency Management: <u>Facebook Franklin County Florida Emergency Management</u>
Gulf/Franklin County Community Health Improvement Partners: Facebook Gulf/Franklin County Community
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