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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

(Macon County, MO) – During the week of February 16-February22, we tracked 17 new cases of COVID-19, compared to 38 last week, 78 the week before, and 105 the week before. There are 2 new residents hospitalized this week. Of these 17 new cases, 10 were vaccinated and 1 was a reinfection. Of the last 2,147 cases, 1,667 were not vaccinated.

Of the 17 new positive cases, 2 were 19 years of age and under; 0 in their 20's; 2 in their 30's; 5 in their 40's; 1 in their 50's; 2 in their 60's; 3 in their 70's; 2 in their 80's; and, 0 in their 90's. New cases were located in Macon city (10 cases), Atlanta (2 cases), Bevier (3 cases), and La Plata (2 cases).

Although numbers are down, it's important to know that this data is only laboratory confirmed cases, it does not include home tests. It is still encouraged to continue to use mitigation measures to protect yourself and others from COVID-19 such as wear a well-fitting mask, staying home when sick, avoiding crowded indoor spaces and ventilate the air when possible. The best protection against severe illness and hospitalization due to COVID-19 is vaccination. Macon County Health Department offers a weekly COVID-19 clinics for initial, second and booster doses for Pfizer (ages 12 and up) and Moderna (ages 18 and up). Our Nurses are knowledgeable and can answer any questions or concerns. Samaritan Hospital has pediatric vaccine for 5 - 11-year-old children.

The following reflects COVID-19 in Macon County as of the end of the day on February 22, 2022 -

- 17 new cases
- 2 new hospitalizations
- 31 deaths plus 17 probable deaths listed by DHSS (antigen tested)
- 3,745 total cases since March 2020

Positive Children by Town February 2022 (to-date)

	Total	Atlanta	Bevier	Callao	Excello	La Plata	Macon	New Cambria
5-10 year old	6	1	0	0	0	1	4	0
11-14 year old	3	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
15-18 year old	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	9	2	0	0	0	1	6	0