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Zero Test Positive for COVID-19 on Guam; Naval Hospital COVID-19 Testing

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COVID-19 test results are reported from multiple labs at varying times of the day. The cumulative total from all labs will be reported on a nightly basis. The following breakdown provides cumulative COVID-19 test results for **Tuesday**, **April 21**, **2020**:

Laboratory	Reported on Tuesday, April 21, 2020	Total Negative Cases (March 12 - April 21, 2020)	Total Confirmed Cases (March 12 - April 21, 2020)
DPHSS Guam Public Health Laboratory (GHPL)	0	836	117
Naval Health Research Center (NHRC)	0	N/A	11
Diagnostic Laboratory Services (DLS)*	0	162	5
Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA) Laboratory**	0	35	0
Probable cases	0	N/A	3
TOTAL CONFIRMED COVID-19 CASES AS OF 10:05 PM, TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2020			136

^{*} Beginning March 31, 2020

The Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) tested 42 individuals for COVID-19 on Tuesday, April 21, 2020 with conclusive results. Zero tested positive through DPHSS and 42 tested negative for SARS-CoV-2.

The DPHSS overall count also includes probable cases of COVID-19 and confirmed positive cases tested by the Naval Health Research Center (NHRC) in San Diego, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), and Diagnostic Laboratory Services (DLS).

^{**} Beginning April 15, 2020

To date, 136 cases have been confirmed through COVID-19 testing provided, with 5 deaths and 114 recoveries. Recovery means a patient is no longer considered infectious. According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) research and published guidelines, a patient is classified as recovered after at least 72 hours have passed without a fever or additional respiratory issues and at least seven days have passed since symptoms first appeared. All remaining cases are in isolation.

Naval Hospital COVID-19 Testing

On March 31, 2020, U.S. Naval Hospital (USNH) Guam gained the ability to test individuals for COVID-19 after the arrival of a testing machine. Testing is performed on individuals who have been determined to have symptoms compatible with COVID-19 or who have been potentially exposed. USNH Guam has a limited supply of COVID-19 test kits but is currently able to support testing for beneficiaries. If testing demand escalates, overflow testing may be sent to the NHRC in San Diego or other facilities in the Military Health System. The staff at USNH Guam is committed to ensuring patients receive the best care and treatment for their medical condition, whether it's an emerging infectious disease or the common cold.

For inquiries on COVID-19, contact 311 through a local number, or call the Joint Information Center at (671) 478-0208/09/10.

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