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## **Cayuga County COVID-19 Situational Update as of 4:45pm**

As of Thursday January 20, 2022, the Cayuga County Health Department has ceased calling COVID-19-positive persons. Instead, the state contact tracing team (called the Virtual Call Center) has taken over this task due to the volume of positive cases right now. If you tested positive for COVID-19 at a testing facility, you will potentially receive a phone call from a 518 area code (this is the state capital region). The state contact tracing team is making every effort to call each positive case, but due to the recent surge in cases, not every positive case will receive a phone call anymore. Therefore, the Cayuga County Health Department will no longer be reporting the daily number of positive cases admitted into isolation. We will continue reporting the daily hospitalization numbers and total number of persons in isolation still.

If you have tested positive or been exposed to a person who tested positive for COVID-19, you can fill out an Attestation of Isolation or Attestation of Quarantine from our website should you need this paperwork for your records or employer: <https://www.cayugacounty.us/1606/COVID-19-Isolation-and-Quarantine>

At this time, the Cayuga County Health Department continues uploading positive home tests into the state contact tracing database. This benefits participants by creating a record of their positive status for isolation and/or quarantine purposes. If you test positive on a home test, you can submit your positive test results to us by emailing a picture of the result to: [covidtest@cayugacounty.us](mailto:covidtest@cayugacounty.us). Please include your full legal name, date of birth, phone number, and date the test was taken. A state contact tracer will attempt to reach you once your results are uploaded.



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**Active Cases in Mandatory Isolation: 743 in Mandatory Isolation**

**Total hospitalized cases: 23 Cayuga County residents (13 of which are unvaccinated)**

COVID-19 hospitalization reports received today from Crouse Hospital, Upstate University Hospital, St. Joseph's Health, and Auburn Community Hospital.

Age Demographics:

- 100's: 0
- 90's: 0
- 80's: 4 (2 unvaccinated, 2 vaccinated)
- 70's: 4 (3 unvaccinated, 1 vaccinated)
- 60's: 6 (3 unvaccinated, 3 vaccinated)
- 50's: 4 (3 unvaccinated, 1 vaccinated)
- 40's: 2 (1 unvaccinated, 1 vaccinated)
- 30's: 3 (1 unvaccinated, 2 vaccinated)
- 20's: 0
- 10's: 0
- Less than 10 years of age: 0

**Deaths:**

There have been 124 total reported Cayuga County deaths related to COVID-19.

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