Monthly COVID-19 Vaccination Program & Contact Tracing Update

Cook County Board Health & Hospitals Committee Meeting

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Important Updates – COVID Variants & Variant-Specific Vaccines

- Cook County Health and the Cook County Department of Public Health are continuing to offer bivalent vaccines to eligible individuals age 12 and older and monovalent vaccines for those who have not yet received their primary series, and for children ages 5-11.

- Individuals can make appointments for a COVID-19 vaccine at CCH by:
  - visiting vaccine.cookcountyil.gov
  - calling the CCH COVID Hotline at 833-308-1988 Monday through Friday 8:00am–4:00pm.

- CCDPH continues to provide mobile vaccination clinics in communities, providing access to all doses of COVID vaccines, including the new boosters. Because younger children have lower rates of COVID vaccination, CCDPH staff have targeted outreach to schools in priority areas to encourage then to host vaccination clinics.

- Pfizer and Moderna recently submitted requests to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to authorize the administration of bivalent boosters to younger age groups. This month, the FDA and US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) are expected to review safety and efficacy data for the bivalent Pfizer vaccine for children ages 5-11 years and bivalent Moderna vaccine for children ages 6-17 years, for those who have already received their primary vaccine series. Approval could come as soon as mid-October.

- While both the City of Chicago and suburban Cook County are experiencing “low” COVID-19 transmission according to the CDC framework, CCH and CCDPH continue to encourage everyone to take personal protective measures, including staying up to date on their booster shots and to wearing a high-quality face mask when in close proximity to others.

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Shots in Arms – As of October 1, 2022

Total Shots Administered by Cook County Health

Total Persons Vaccinated	First Dose	Second Dose	Booster (1st)	Booster (2nd)	Total Doses
550,827	485,877	442,446	83,029	11,298	1,022,650

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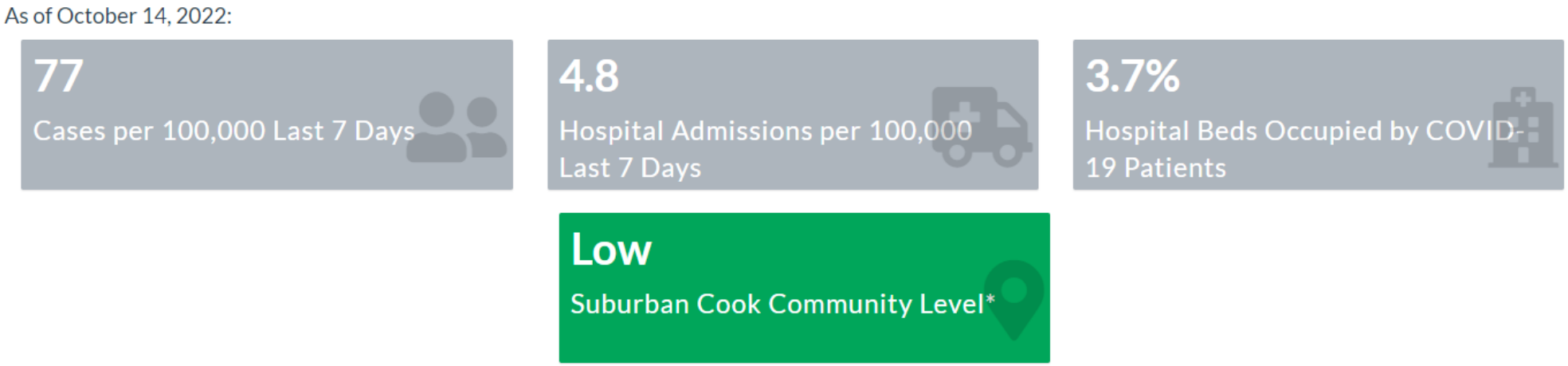
Case Counts – As of October 14, 2022

CCDPH continues to monitor cases closely in suburban Cook County. CCDPH is in regular contact with CDPH and IDPH to discuss cases and potential mitigation strategies should the trends indicate the need.



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Important Updates – CCDPH Building Healthy Communities Initiative

- The Building Healthy Communities (BHC) Initiative is a public health initiative coordinated by Cook County Department of Public Health (CCDPH) in partnership with community organizations serving suburban Cook County, whose mission is to strengthen the capacity and collaboration of local organizations to advance community solutions for racial and health equity.

- CCDPH awarded 39 community-based organizations (CBOs) with funding as part of the BHC initiative.

- CBOs will continue to prevent and control the spread of COVID-19, lessen the impact of the pandemic, and advance racial and health equity, especially among priority communities most impacted by COVID19.

- In early October CCDPH hosted be hosting BHC Kick-off Meetings with the funded organizations to support their onboarding and begin their work.

- 20 of the funded CBOs will begin their work with CCDPH this month.

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Monkeypox Virus (MPV) Update

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Monkeypox Virus (MPV)

- As of October 14, the City of Chicago has recorded 1,059 confirmed cases of monkeypox (MPV) and suburban Cook County has recorded 128.
- Rates of new cases are declining, suggesting that mitigation behaviors and public health campaigns are working.
- Cook County Health has created website where people can get the latest information on MPV, make an appointment for vaccination and learn more about accessing testing and treatment resources: monkeypox.cookcountyhealth.org.
- Individuals may also call 833-308-1988 for appointments Monday through Friday 8:00am–4:00pm.
- While demand for MPV vaccine has decreased, CCDPH continues to work within its jurisdiction to reach high risk groups. With partners Calor and Corazon Community Services, CCDPH held two MPV vaccination events in Cicero during September and is working on adding events at colleges and universities in suburban Cook County.
- CCH and CCDPH continue to raise awareness about MPV prevention, symptoms and response. CCDPH's educational information can be found here: cookcountypublichealth.org/communicable-diseases/monkeypox/

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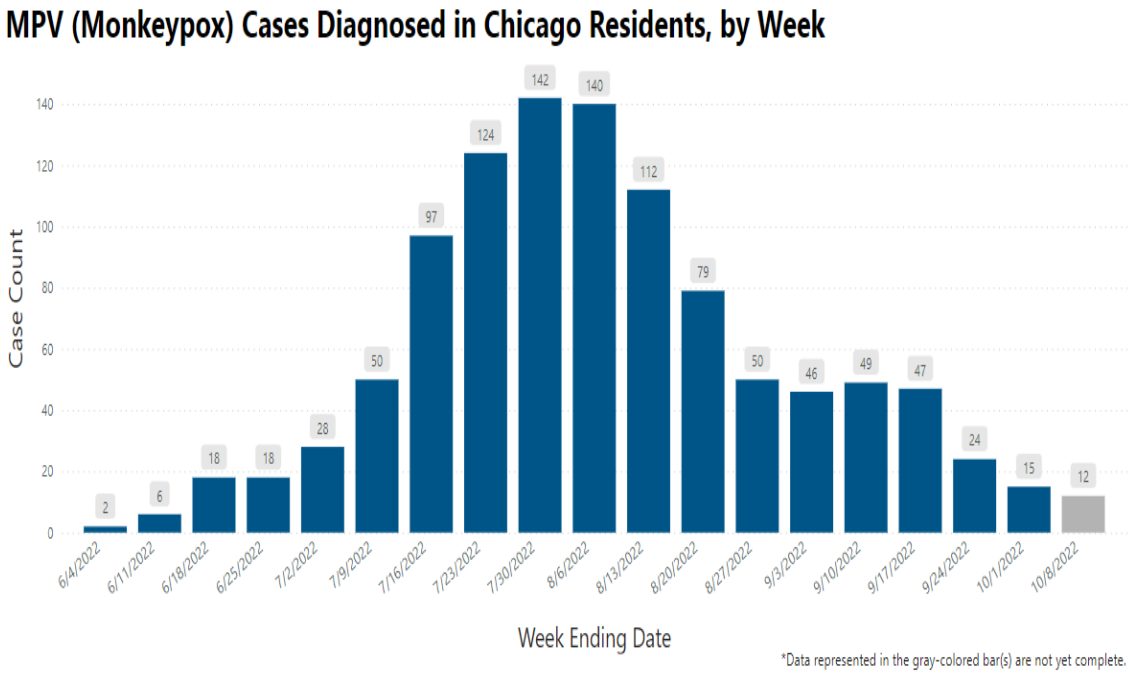
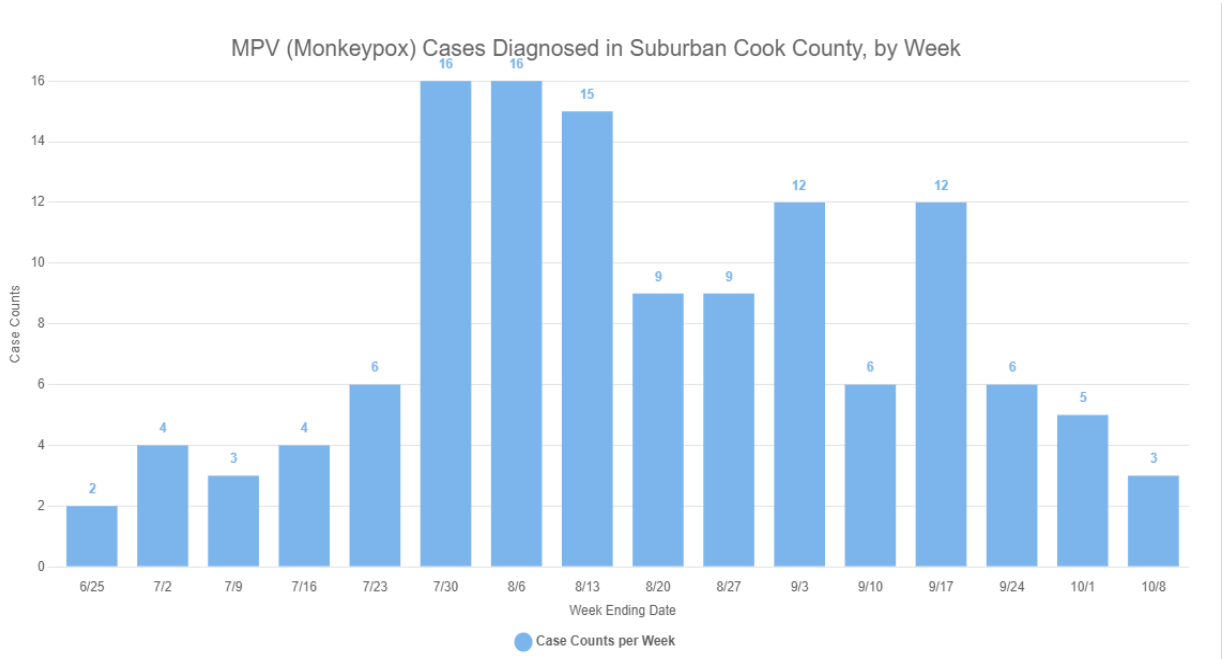
The Numbers - Cases





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10/17/22https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/sites/monkeypox/home/data.html

Thank you

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