

## MINISTRY OF HEALTH WELLNESS AND THE ENVIRONMENT ST. JOHN'S, ANTIGUA

## **Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Increase to 15**

## **Press Release**

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The Ministry of Health Wellness and the Environment has received confirmation of six new laboratory confirmed cases of COVID-19 from the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA). This brings the total number of persons tested for COVID-19 to forty (40) with fifteen (15) being positive and twenty (20) cases being negative. Results from five (5) persons are pending receipt from CARPHA.

Of the newly confirmed cases four are males and two are females. Two are hospitalized at the Mount St. John's Medical Centre. The remaining four have mild disease and are isolated at home.

The Ministry of Health, Wellness, and the Environment continues with aggressive contact tracing, in an effort to ascertain and mitigate further spread of the virus.

If you believe you are exhibiting symptoms of the virus including fever, cough and shortness of breath or have been exposed to the virus, please contact the COVID-19 Hotline at 462-6843, email <a href="mailto:Covid19@msjmc.org">Covid19@msjmc.org</a> or contact your private health provider via phone. Do not leave your house. Do not take public transportation. Please continue to adhere to the state of emergency guidelines.