
Pima County Medical Society Pima County Health Department Director's Update

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On behalf of Pima County residents, we honor the tribal nations who have served as caretakers of this land from time immemorial and respectfully acknowledge the ancestral homelands of the Tohono O'odham Nation and the multi-millennial presence of the Pascua Yaqui tribe within Pima County. Consistent with Pima County's commitment to diversity and inclusion, we strive toward building equal-partner relationships with Arizona's tribal nations.



AGENDA

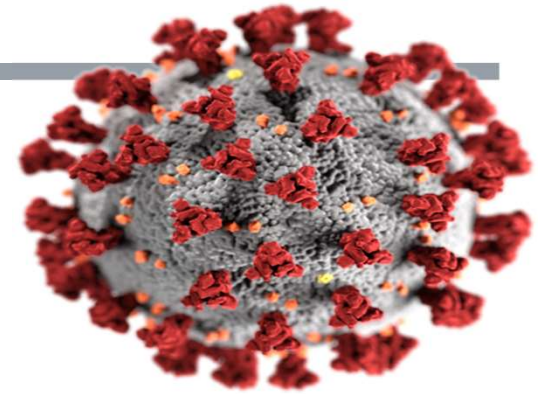
Updates:

- COVID-19 update
- Vaccination update:
 - CDC Guidance for 5-11 boosters
 - CDC guidance on definition of up-to-date for boosters
- AHCCCS cliff – PCHD preparations to maintain coverage and support re-enrollment
- Preparation for Title 42 decision
- Responding to gun violence and trauma
- Mini-grants for youth
 - New Pathways to Health and Wellbeing for Youth in Pima Coun...

COVID-19

Community Transmission

CDC Data Tracker - within last 7 days; through Monday May 23, 2022

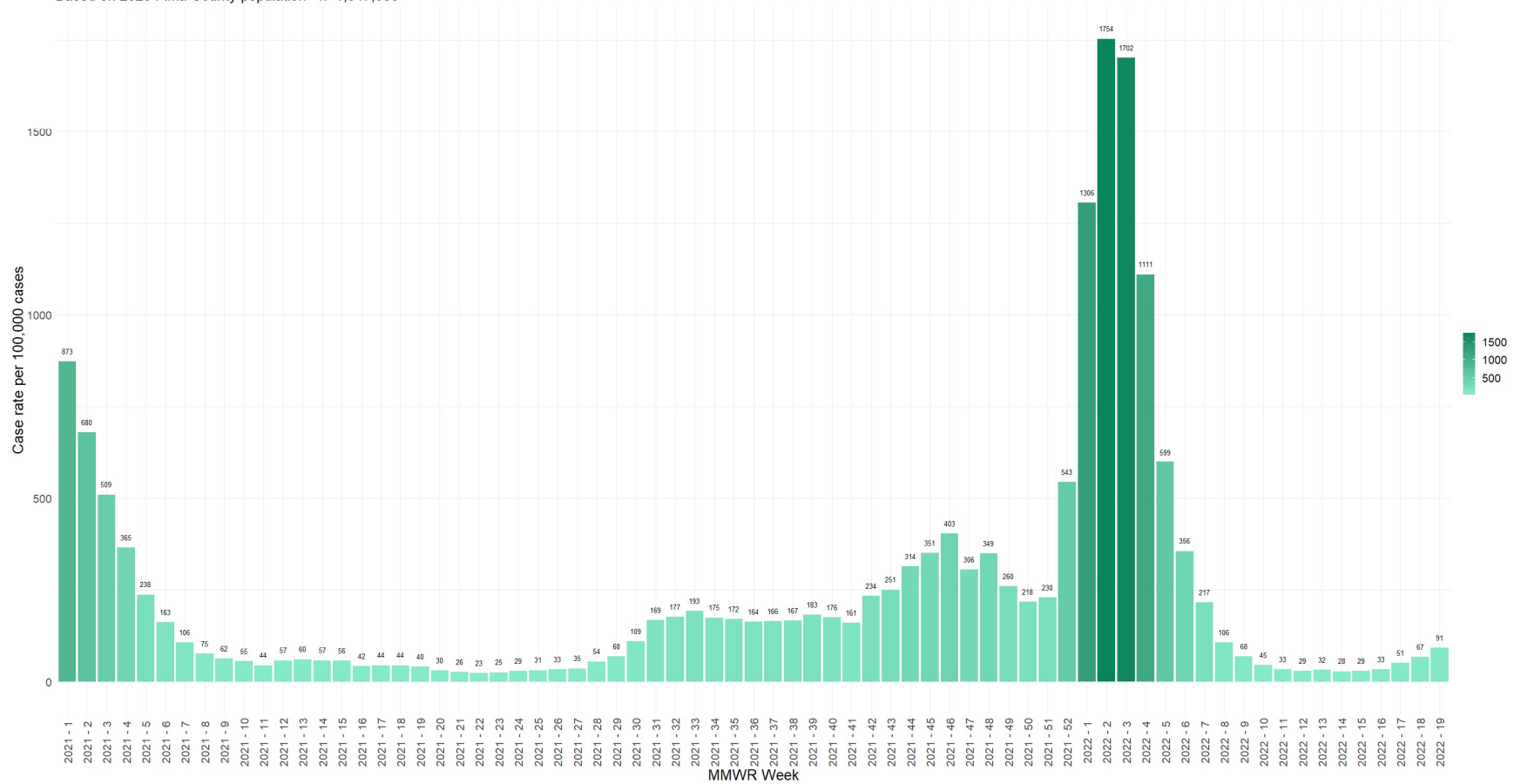


- LOW rate of transmission (per CDC)
- 1090 cases in Pima County
- 148 cases per 100K people (would have been in the red in the past)
- 7.3 New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population
- 1.9% Staffed inpatient beds in use by patients with confirmed COVID-19
- <10 deaths within last 7 days – (-42.86% change from last week)
- 7423 tests performed (increased by 7%)
 - 16.51% test positivity
 - Omicron Ba2.12.1 variant most prevalent

Epi curve Pima County COVID case rate

Data as of May 18, 2022

COVID-19 Incidence Rate by MMWR Week
Based on 2020 Pima County population - n=1,047,000



Pima County COVID-19 Vaccination data

VACCINATIONS

CDC Data Tracker – Data as of May 25, 2022

70% of total population is fully vaccinated, 83% at least 1 dose

74% of residents ages 5+ are fully vaccinated

88% of residents ages 5+ have received at least 1 vaccination

95% of residents ages 65+ are fully vaccinated

49% of 12+ have received a 1st booster

67% of residents ages 65+ have received 1st booster

VACCINATIONS

Age Range (years old)	Complete Series %
5-9	76.3 %
10-19	81.9 %
20-29	84.5 %
30-49	86.4 %
50-64	88.7 %
65-79	90.6 %
80+	89.9 %

Pima County Vaccination data - Data as of May 12, 2022

VACCINATIONS

Age Range (years old)	Booster Received %
5-9	0.0%
10-19	19.38 %
20-29	27.01 %
30-49	37.44 %
50-64	50.67 %
65-79	64.18 %
80+	61.25%

Pima County Vaccination data - Data as of May 12, 2022

CDC BOOSTER GUIDANCE UPDATE

- 5-11 year olds are now eligible to receive the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine
 - up-to-date: 3 primary vaccine doses, 1-2 booster doses
- 12+ years olds recommended if moderately or severely immunocompromised
 - now recommended to get a 2nd booster of mRNA vaccine at least 4 months after the 1st booster
- FDA announced June 15th for the Moderna Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) request for 6 months through 5 years of age and Pfizer-BioNTech EUA request for 6 months through 4 years of age.

STAYING UP TO DATE WITH COVID-19 VACCINES

- CDC now recommends COVID-19 vaccines, including boosters, for everyone ages 5 years and older
- 1 Booster
 - everyone ages 5 years and older should get 1 booster after completing their COVID-19 vaccine primary series
- 2 Boosters
 - Adults ages 50 years and older
 - People ages 12 years and older who are moderately or severely immunocompromised
 - [COVID-19 Vaccine Boosters | CDC](#)
- As of May 23, 2022, you are up to date with your COVID-19 vaccines when you have received all doses in the primary series and all boosters recommended for you when eligible
- [Stay Up to Date with Your COVID-19 Vaccines | CDC](#)

AHCCCS CLIFF- RE-ENROLLMENT PUSH

- White House Emergency Declaration potential sunset (recently extended)
- PCHD is working with State and local partners to develop a coordinated plan to inform and assist residents with re-enrollment and link to navigation resources
- Will work with community partners and Community Advisory Committee to assist
- Will provide social media and messaging campaign
- Training key workforces to link to resources

TITLE 42 POTENTIAL RECISION

- Currently still in place
- Plans for impact of lifting on Pima County
- Working with Casa Alitas, other community based organizations, and other organizations
- Mobilizing staff to participate in response
- Developed travel care kits to distribute if needed
- Communication planned with CBO and Districts

RESPONDING TO GUN VIOLENCE AND TRAUMA

- “Gun violence is a public health epidemic that is injuring and killing children at alarming rates. Any death from gun violence is one too many if it's in your family or your community. We must implement common-sense solutions that have been proven to reduce these injuries and deaths.”

American Academy of Pediatrics

- [Gun Safety Campaign Toolkit \(aap.org\)](http://aap.org)
- PCHD is procuring gun locks and developing a distribution plan to make available through clinics, programs, schools, libraries, providers and community based organizations to increase gun safety and prevent injury and loss
- Next Steps?

COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR GUN VIOLENCE TRAUMA

- *For those looking for immediate resources, the National Child Traumatic Stress Network developed the following to help children, families, educators, and communities navigate what they are seeing and hearing, acknowledge their feelings, and find ways to cope together. These resources include:*
- *Talking to Children about the Shooting*
- *Helping Youth After a Community Trauma: Tips for Educators (En Español)*
- *Talking to Children: When Scary Things Happen (En Español)*
- *Talking to Teens about Violence (En Español)*
- *Tips for Talking to Students about Violence; and,*
- *Coping After Mass Violence: For Adults.*

MINI-GRANT OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

- Mini-grant opportunities released for community partners and groups to engage young people on pandemic impacts and strategies to improve mental health and wellbeing and build resilience.
- Purpose of grants are to engage youth to:
- Co-design solutions to build resilience and recovery in young people that will:
 - Address COVID-19 impacts and disparities
 - Improve access to resources, services and supports for young people and
 - Build youth health, well-being and community resilience against future public health threats.
- Optional: Create opportunities for youth participation in music and the arts, including visual, performance, spoken word, and cultural arts that promote a focus on recovery, healing, and personal and community resilience building.
- **8 mini-grants for \$10,000 will be announced June 15, 2022**
- New Pathways to Health and Wellbeing for Youth in Pima Coun...