



## Press Release

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## OFFICIAL STATEMENT #2: COVID-19

## Health Alert: Confirmed COVID-19 cases identified within Majuro community

As of yesterday August 9<sup>th</sup> 2022, The Republic of Marshall Islands (RMI) first community cases have been identified. The National Disaster Committee, in close coordination with the President and the Cabinet, are rapidly responding to these cases and we can assure the public that there are measures in place to respond to this situation.

There will be minor disruptions:

- There will be school closure for the next 2 months;
- Hospital and Public Health Service reoriented for the next 2 months;
- Activation of COVID-19 Community One Stop Shop (CCOSS) Sites (Alternate Care Sites) will be activated in the next 2 to 3 days;
- COVID-19 Vaccination PODS will be activated from tomorrow.

## Advice to the public:

- At this time, members of the public are requested to remain calm and stay tuned for updates from the National Disaster Committee;
- Be socially responsible and protect vulnerable individuals in your household by Continue Good Hand Hygiene and limited physical interaction;
- Look Out for Health Advisories and Government Directives;
- Comply with Public Health measures;
- Wearing facemasks in public places both indoors and outdoors.
- Practice good hand hygiene
- Avoid crowds and stay 6 feet about
- Get vaccinated and boosted
- Access therapeutics (especially if advised by health professionals)
- Implementation of mask wearing mandate for the next 2 months;
- Travel to the neighboring islands by sea or air will be restricted at this time until further notice;
- Cargo will be permitted with request and approval by National Disaster Committee
- Work and Business as usual and ongoing;
- The National Disaster Committee continues to recommend the public to continue to practice safe hand hygiene, coughing & sneezing etiquette, physical distancing and frequent cleaning of surfaces;

More information about the situation will be provided at a minimum EVERY 24 HOURS via radio, mass texts and press releases and press conferences.

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