

ULSTER COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

September 13, 2021

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

- **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Tabled - Approval of August 9, 2021 Minutes

- **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Commissioner's Report (Dr. Smith)

- COVID Update

- ME Update

- Behavior Health/ Westchester Medical Update

- Board Vacancies

MEETING CONCLUSION

Ulster County Board of Health
September 13, 2021
6:30 p.m.
239 Golden Hill Lane, Kingston, NY

PRESENT: Naomi Stevens (virtual), Dr. Walter Woodley, Dr. Gina Carena (virtual), Kathleen Rogan, Stephanie Turco (virtual)

EXCUSED:

ABSENT:

UCDOH: Dr. Carol Smith- Commissioner of Health

GUEST:

1. Approval of Minutes: Approval of the July 2021 meeting was approved by Ms. Rogan, seconded by Dr. Carena and unanimously approved.

3. Commissioner's Update: Dr. Smith reported on the following:

- **COVID Overview:**

- Reviewed the most recent COVID numbers (see attached). Seeing a fair number of individuals tested each day. There has been an increase in new positive cases. The 7-day rolling average is over 6.6%. Cases continue to be scattered throughout the County in a variety of places. COVID is showing no signs of ending. The County has continued to offer vaccinations at the Best Buy site in the Hudson Valley Mall on Fridays, mostly Pfizer and Moderna.
- Still in the process of working with the schools to determine needs, nurses, kits, etc. The school needs are more than originally thought. DOH would like a better breakdown of their plan for testing.

- **Medical Examiner (ME):** The entire ME team is scheduled to meet on 9/21 to address issues. County is working through renewing the ME services contract with Westchester Medical Center. The current Forensic Pathologist, Dr. Charles Catanese, is talking about retiring and there has been mention of the ME's retiring. The ME stats report was shared (see attached).

- **Environmental Update:**

- Currently one fulltime Engineer and one Parttime Assistant Engineer are reviewing all site plans received by the Department. This is inadequate to meet the demands as there has been an increase of regulatory demands with more to come.
- Rainfall always results in an overflow of the Kingston Water Treatment system into the Rondout which impacts areas such as the Kingston Point Beach. Ms. Rogan voiced concern about individuals still using the beach when it is closed. Dr. Smith reminded the Board that it is the job of Law Enforcement to enforce closures.

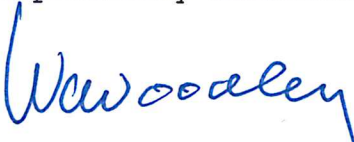
4. Board Updates:

- **Behavioral Health Beds/ Westchester Medical:** The Board discussed how the letter should insist that the beds return to Ulster and the letter should be sent to Westchester and to OMH, OASAS, NYSDOH, The Public Health and Planning Council and copied to the County Executive and the Community Services Board. The question was posed asking if Westchester could be forced to move the beds back. Individuals are impacted greatly. There is a loss of continuity of care, they are removed from their support systems and the providers they follow-up with when discharged. There has also been concerns about the recent reduction of hospital staff. There is chatter of hospital staff not being happy and many are going elsewhere. 50 out of 117 ME cases are behavioral health related. A motion was made by Ms. Rogan to proceed with the letter of protest of the elimination of Behavioral Health and SUD inpatient beds at Health Alliance in conjunction with the Community Serves Board. The motion was seconded by Dr. Carena and unanimously approved.
- **Board Vacancies:** There are currently two vacancies. Any potential candidates names should be referred to Dr. Smith's office.

6. Adjournment: Ms. Turco made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dr. Carena and unanimously approved.

7. Next Meeting: Scheduled for Monday, October 18, 2021 at 6:30 PM, at the Department of Health 239 Golden Hill Lane.

Respectfully submitted by:



Walter Woodley, MD - Chair

Katrina Rocap

From: Tosca Sweeney
Sent: Monday, September 13, 2021 10:32 AM
To: COVID-19 Official Counts
Subject: 9/11/21-9/13/21 Official Count (9/10/21-9/12/21 data)

TODAY			
Official Counts For		9/13/2021	
Data As Of		9/12/2021	
Total Tests	463670	+718	<i>Since Yesterday</i>
Confirmed Cases	17501	+50	<i>Since Yesterday</i>
Transferred	-118	-4	<i>Since Yesterday</i>
Recovered	16529	+18	<i>Since Yesterday</i>
Fatalities	274	0	<i>No Change Since Yesterday</i>
Active	698	+28	<i>Since Yesterday</i>

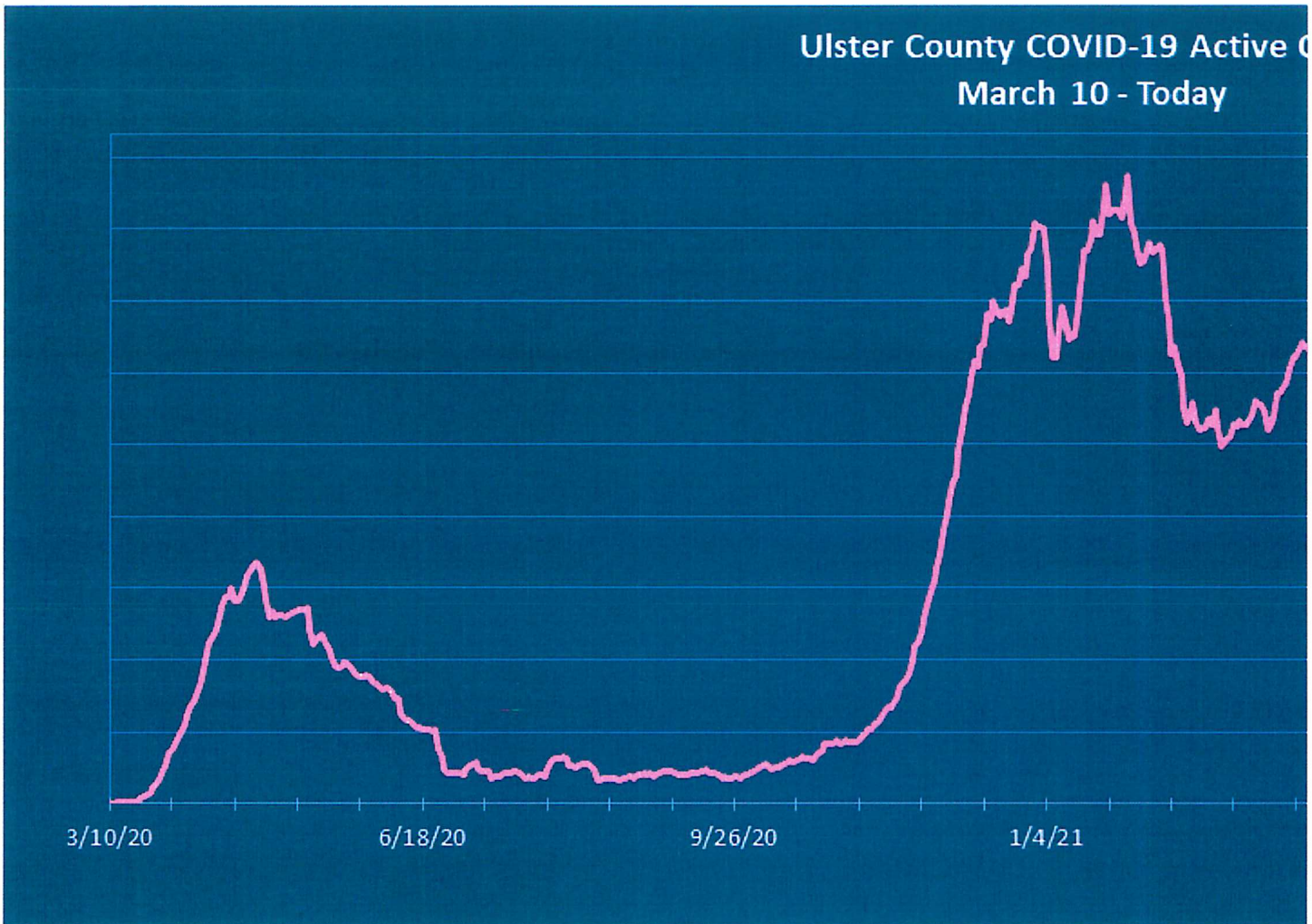
Sunday			
Official Counts For		9/12/2021	
Data As Of		9/11/2021	
Total Tests	462952	+1263	<i>Since Prior Day</i>
Confirmed Cases	17455	+74	<i>Since Prior Day</i>
Transferred	-118	-1	<i>Since Prior Day</i>
Recovered	16511	+35	<i>Since Prior Day</i>
Fatalities	274	0	<i>No Change</i>
Active	670	+38	<i>Since Prior Day</i>

Saturday			
Official Counts For		9/11/2021	
Data As Of		9/10/2021	
Total Tests	461689	+1501	<i>Since Prior Day</i>
Confirmed Cases	17382	+82	<i>Since Prior Day</i>
Transferred	-118	-5	<i>Since Prior Day</i>
Recovered	16476	+40	<i>Since Prior Day</i>
Fatalities	274	0	<i>No Change</i>
Active	632	+37	<i>Since Prior Day</i>

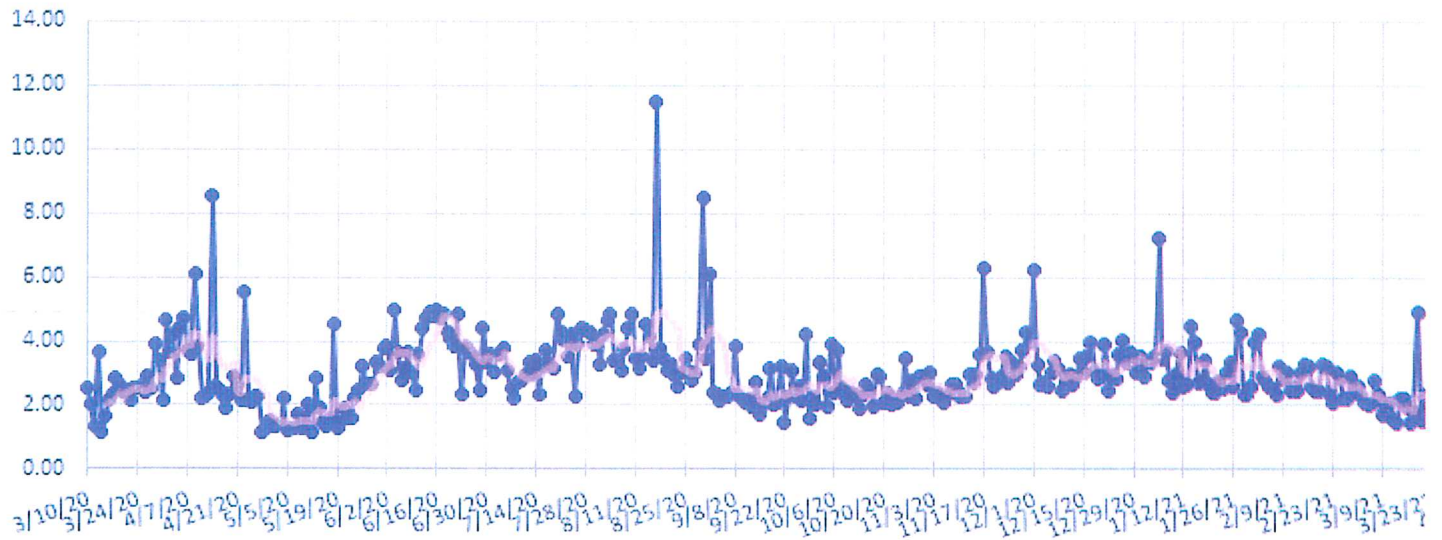
ResTown	Town	Active	Recovered	Deceased	Total Confirmed
City of Kingston	City of Kingston	99	2458	49	2606
Wawarsing	Town of Wawarsing	48	1148	10	1206
Hurley	Town of Hurley	14	371	7	392
Lloyd	Town of Lloyd	36	1471	60	1567
Ulster	Town of Ulster	44	1265	56	1365
Marlborough	Town of Marlborough	51	1094	7	1152
Saugerties	Town of Saugerties	58	1476	14	1548
Shawangunk	Town of Shawangunk	43	1113	7	1163
New Paltz	Town of New Paltz	86	1203	18	1307
Esopus	Town of Esopus	36	623	4	663
Plattekill	Town of Plattekill	40	1053	12	1105
Rochester	Town of Rochester	19	415	6	440
Rosendale	Town of Rosendale	10	318	3	331
Marbletown	Town of Marbletown	14	294	1	309
Gardiner	Town of Gardiner	13	345	3	361
Unknown	Unknown	62	1001	9	1072
Woodstock	Town of Woodstock	7	273	1	281
Olive	Town of Olive	8	225	0	233
Shandaken	Town of Shandaken	8	119	0	127
Denning	Town of Denning	0	16	0	16
Hardenburg	Town of Hardenburg	0	2	0	2
Out of County	Out of County	1	209	5	215
Town of Kingston	Town of Kingston	1	37	2	40
Total		698	16529	274	17501

Patient Facility	Total Confirmed	Total Active	Active - Employees
SUNY New Paltz	379	65	1
LifeSpire	13	12	0
Ten Broeck Center for Rehabilitation & Nursing	237	8	0
Mohonk Mountain House	35	6	3
SAUGERTIES SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	35	4	0
Eastern Correctional Facility	125	3	2
KINGSTON HIGH SCHOOL	112	3	1
ONTEORA HIGH SCHOOL	18	3	1
ELLENVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	32	2	1
MARLBORO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	14	2	0
MOUNT MARION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	18	2	2
ARC MID-HUSON (THE)	40	1	1

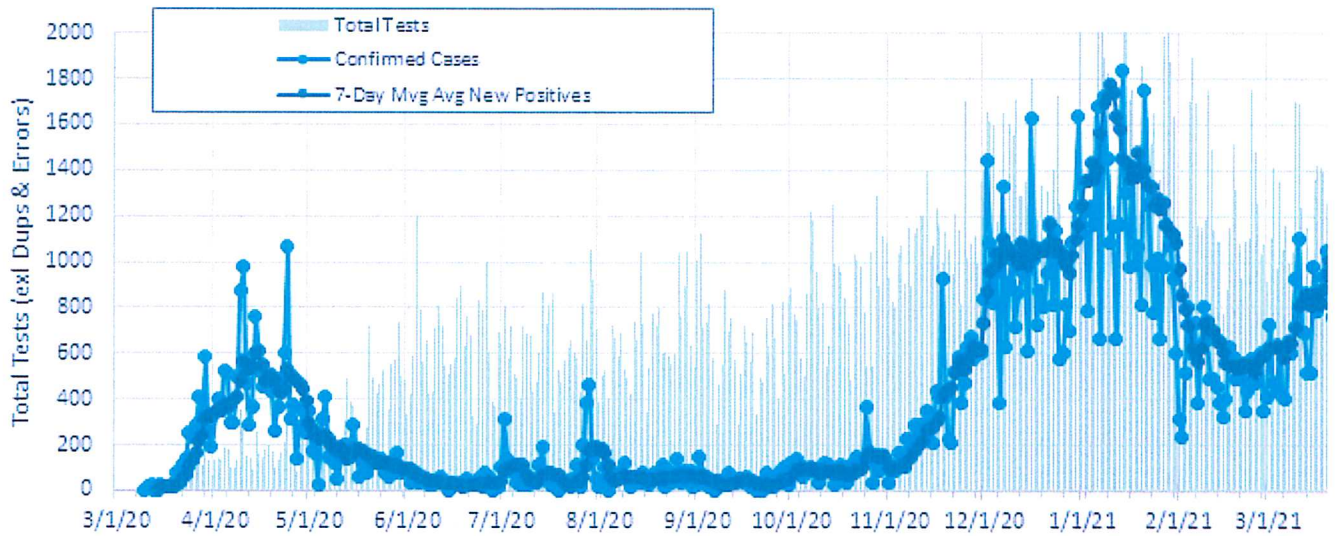
Bright Beginnings Learning Center	4	1	0
CHAMBERS SCHOOL	18	1	0
Golden Hill Nursing and Rehabilitation Center	206	1	1
HIGHLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	24	1	1
HIGHLAND HIGH SCHOOL	37	1	1
Hudson Valley Rehabilitation & Extended Care Center	167	1	1
J WATSON BAILEY MIDDLE SCHOOL	46	1	1
LENAPE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	15	1	1
Northeast Center for Rehabilitation and Brain Injury	73	1	1
OSTRANDER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	19	1	0
Quick Check	3	1	0
SUNY New Paltz 36 Plattekill Ave	3	1	0
Transformation Life Center	5	1	0
Ulster County Jail	62	1	0



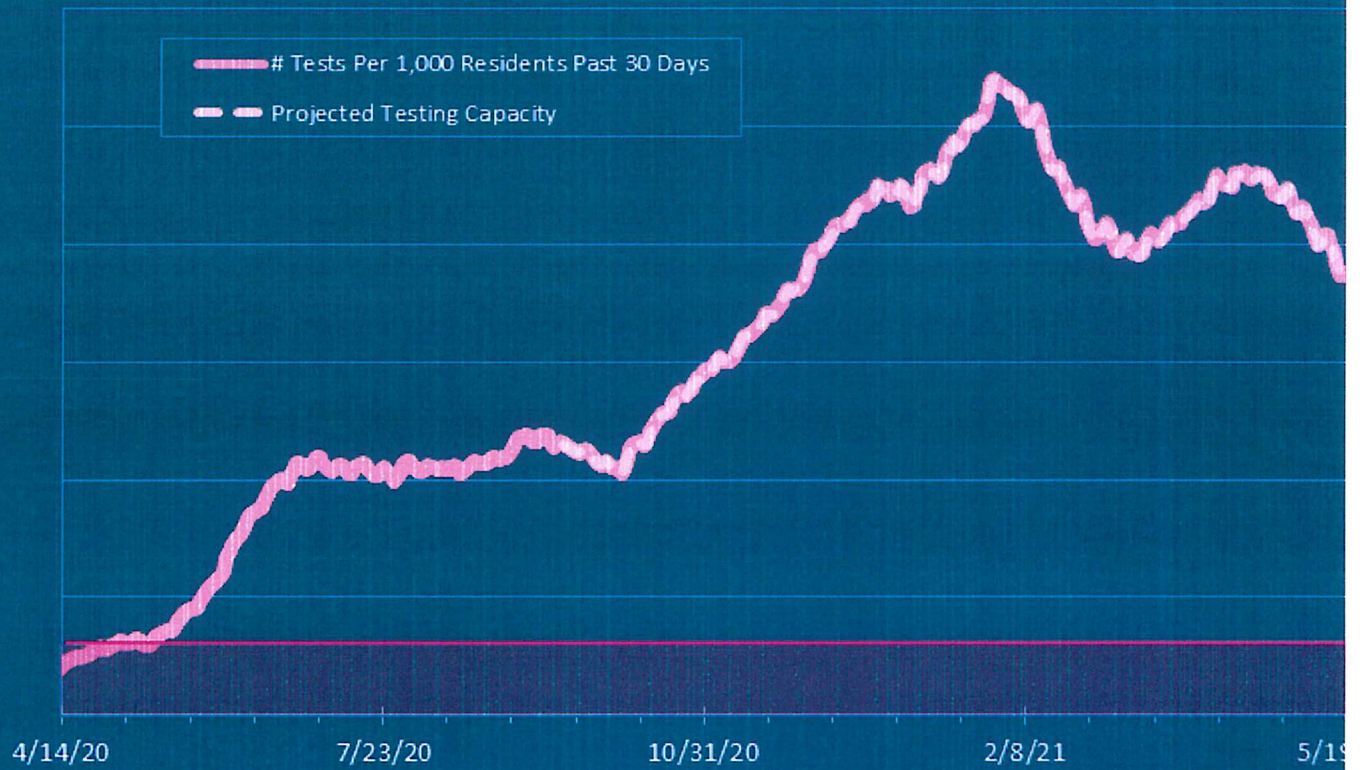
Avg Days From Test Date to Report Date



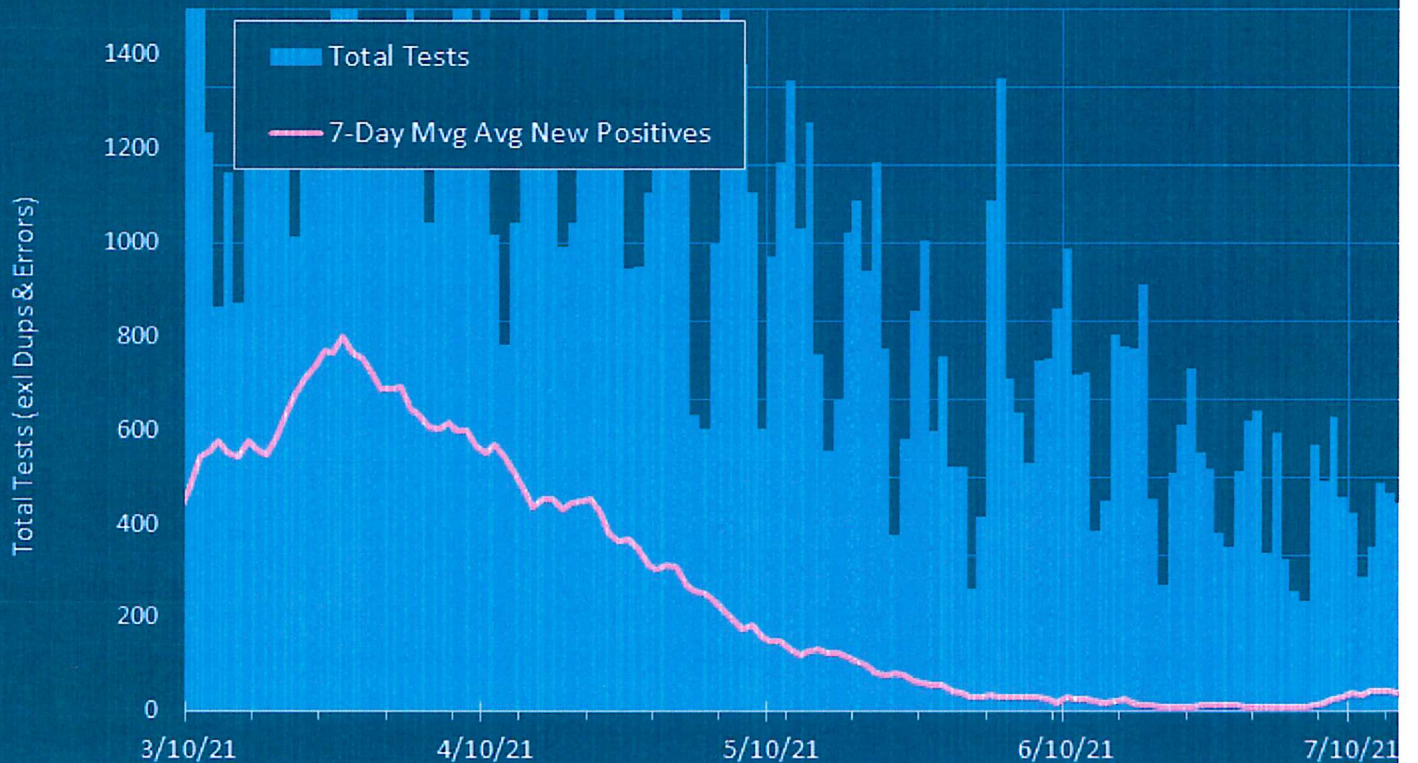
Daily Tests & New Positive Cases (by ECLRS Report)



Ulster County COVID-19 Testing Capacity



Daily Tests & New Positive Cases (by ECLRS Rep)



Ulster County Department of Health

Medical Examiner's Office - Autopsy Cases

Date of Death between 1/1/2021 and 8/31/2021

Total Number of Cases: 117

<i>Cases by Gender</i>	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
F	4	8	4	0	4	5	4	4	0	0	0	0	33
M	14	13	11	13	9	7	9	6	0	0	0	0	82
Grand Total	18	22	15	13	13	12	13	11	0	0	0	0	117

<i>Cases by Manner</i>	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
Accidental	10	11	6	9	7	6	5	2	0	0	0	0	56
Homicide	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Natural	4	8	4	3	4	2	4	1	0	0	0	0	30
Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	8	0	0	0	0	11
Suicide	4	3	3	1	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	16
Undetermined	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Grand Total	18	22	15	13	13	12	13	11	0	0	0	0	117

<i>Cases by Category</i>	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
Alcohol	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Blunt Force Trauma - non-MVA	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	5
Carbon Monoxide	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cardiovascular	1	5	1	2	3	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	18
Cardiovascular and Diabetes	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cardiovascular and Obesity	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Diabetes	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Drowning	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Fall	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Gunshot Wound	1	2	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Hanging	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Motor Vehicle Accident	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
Non-Opioid Substance	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Non-Opioid Substance w/ Other Substances	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Opioid	4	4	3	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	16
Opioid w/ Alcohol	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Opioid w/ Other Substances	4	5	1	3	2	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	21
Opioid w/ Other Substances and Alcohol	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Other	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	5
Pending	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	7
Pending - Suspected Opioid	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	5
Pneumonia	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2

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Sharp Force Trauma	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Smoke Inhalation	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Undetermined	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Grand Total	18	22	15	13	13	12	13	11	0	0	0	0	117