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101-Year-Old Queen Louis Home Resident Dies of Covid-19 at Schneider Hospital; 41 Cases Reported Wednesday

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Aerial shot of the Schneider Regional Medical Center in St. Thomas. A 101-year-old woman died of Covid-19 while receiving care at the hospital Wednesday. She was the territory's 10th Covid-19 victim.

ST. THOMAS —The Department of Human Services on Wednesday evening confirmed the passing of a 101-year-old woman, a resident of the Queen Louise Home for the Aged, at the Schneider Regional Medical Center.

The centenarian died at the facility while receiving treatment for Covid-19. D.H.S. did not reveal the cause of death, however it was included in the Department of Health's Wednesday night

Covid-19 data, which saw 41 confirmed cases territory-wide: 16 on St. Croix, 23 on St. Thomas and 2 on St. John.

Neither D.H.S. nor D.O.H. revealed the identity of the victim.

The eleven residents who tested positive for COVID-19 remain in "relatively good health," D.H.S. said. "There are currently 11 residents at the hospital who are positive, ten in good health and one who is being closely watched," D.H.S. added.

The residents who initially tested negative were placed in a non-congregate care setting while the Home was sanitized and is preparing to welcome them again in the safest way possible, said Human Services.

The districts are split with 5 Covid-19 deaths each, which occurred in St. Thomas and St. Croix. No deaths have been reported in St. John.

Five of the 16 Covid-19 cases on St. Croix reported Wednesday were transmitted through close contact, 1 through travel and 10 were under investigation as of Wednesday night. On St. Thomas, 14 of the 23 cases were transmitted through community spread, 7 through close contact, and two were under investigation. The two St. John cases were transmitted through close contact, according to D.O.H.

The Dept. of Health as of Wednesday was tracking 236 cases: 52 on St. Croix, 177 on St. Thomas and 7 on St. John. D.O.H. said 623 people have recovered from the virus, up from 584 the day before, or 39 recoveries from Tuesday to Wednesday.

To date 13,563 people have been tested territory-wide, with 12,673 returning negative and 869 positive.

Clarification: Thursday, Aug. 20, 2020 at 8:48 p.m.

D.H.S. requested that the Consortium update the story to clearly state D.H.S. did not reveal cause of death. In the original article, in the second paragraph, the story read, "D.H.S. did not reveal the cause of death, however it was included in the Department of Health's Wednesday night Covid-19 data." Nonetheless, we've updated the story to add even further clarity.