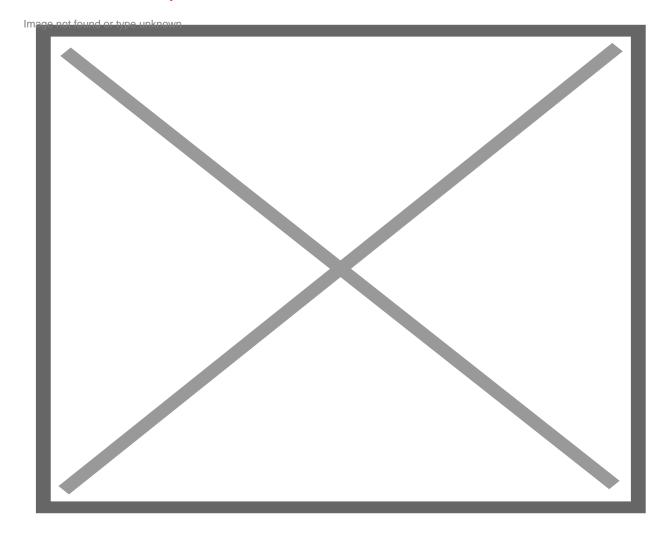
112th and 113th Deaths Related to Covid-19 in USVI Announced

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The V.I. Department of Health announced Tuesday that two persons recently died from causes related to Covid-19. The victims, identified as two females ages 87 and 97, passed on the island of St. Croix.

Health Commissioner Justa Encarnacion shared condolences from the entire Department of Health to the family of the deceased.

D.O.H. said that getting the Covid-19 vaccine can prevent severe illness and death. To schedule an appointment for a vaccine or booster, call (340) 777-8227 or visit <u>covid19usvi.com/vaccines</u>. Walk-ins are also accepted at our Community Vaccination Centers, according to D.O.H.

As a reminder, St. Croix's Community Vaccination Center is located at Charles Harwood Memorial Complex. On St. Thomas the Community Vaccination Center is located at the Community Health Clinic on the 2nd floor at the Schneider Regional Medical Center. Vaccines and boosters continue to be available for individuals of all ages on St. John at the pop up in the Virgin Islands Port Authority (VIPA) Gravel Lot on Wednesdays between 1:00 p.m. and 4 p.m. Testing is also done at this same site between 12:00 p.m. and 3 p.m.

D.O.H. said parents seeking pediatric vaccines for their children age 5 to 11 on St. Thomas can obtain vaccines at the Maternal, Child Health Clinic in the Elanco Building on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Appointments are strongly encouraged and can be made by calling (340) 777-8227. Parents or guardians need to bring identification for themselves and the child as well as the child's birth certificate.

"As the Department continues to work to slow the spread of Covid-19, we ask everyone to continue to follow the precautionary measures which include practicing social distancing, frequent hand washing, and although no longer mandatory, wearing a mask is recommended when in crowded settings among individuals with whom you do not reside," stated the release.

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