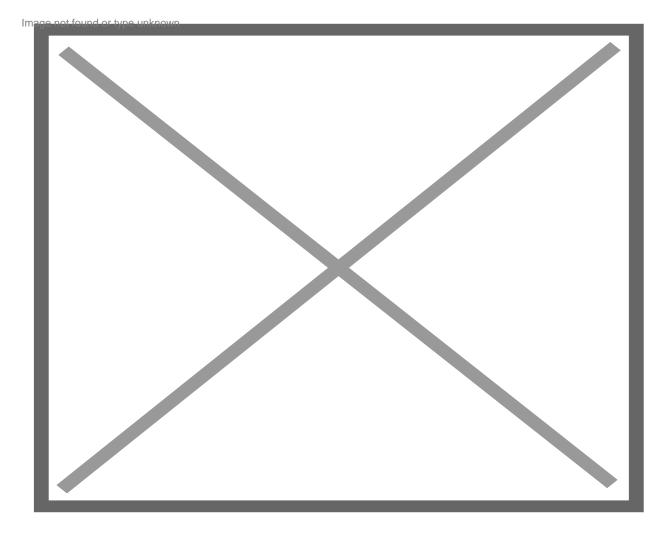
Dept. of Health Announces 115th Death in USVI Related to the Coronavirus

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The V.I. Dept. of Health on Thursday announced the 115th death in the U.S. Virgin Islands related Covid-19, three days after it announced the 114th victim.

"After further investigating cause of death and ensuring notification of next of kin, the Virgin Islands Department of Health is saddened to confirm the territory's one hundred and fifteenth death related to Covid-19. The deceased is an 82-year-old female on St. Thomas. Commissioner Encarnacion would like to share condolences from the entire Department of Health to the family of the deceased," D.O.H. said.

The latest deaths come over a month since the 113th victim died as a result of the virus, and as the territory transitions into a state of Covid endemicity where the virus's presence is constant and

follows predictable patterns occurring at an expected, baseline level.

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 covid19usvi.com/vaccines. 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.

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