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### Town of Somers Health Department 600 Main Street Somers, CT 06071 (860) 763-8216

#### EPAC Meeting

August 4, 2022

#### COVID

Somers fully vaccinated rates:

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The Somers fully vaccinated rate has increased 4.97% since December 2021.

\*A person is considered fully vaccinated if he/she has completed a primary vaccination series by receiving 2 doses of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines or 1 dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine and recommended boosters. The definition changed in June to include boosters.

Numbers of cases for the past seven days: 21

Positivity rate for the last seven days: 3.2% a 1.0% decrease from the last report.

Report period 7/25/2022- 8/1/2022

Osborn Correctional Facility is not allowing in person visits.

#### CT Monkeypox Facts

24 cases to date
Median age 36 years
100% identify as male
No known cases in Somers
August 1 vaccinations started, no walk-in's,
To be eligible for vaccination a person must meet the following criteria:

- Persons identified by state and local public health as being close contacts to someone who has tested positive for monkeypox.
- Connecticut residents who meet the following criteria:
  - -Men who have sex with men, gay, bisexual, transgender, gender non-conforming, or gender non-binary AND
  - -Age 18 or older
  - -Have had multiple or anonymous sex partners in the last 14 days

The JYNNEOS vaccine requires two shots, 28 days apart for maximum effectiveness. CDC recommends that the vaccine be given within 4 days from the date of exposure for the best chance to prevent onset of the disease.

# MONKEYPOX 101

LET'S STAY SAFE THIS SUMMER

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Monkeypox virus is related to the smallpox virus.

**Monkeypox** symptoms are similar to smallpox, but milder and rarely fatal.

Monkeypox Symptoms Include:

Fever | Headache | Muscle Aches Backache | Swollen Lymph Nodes Chills | Exhaustion and a Rash that can look like Pimples or Blisters

Monkeypox Rash
The monkeypox rash can appear
anywhere on the body including mouth, genitals
and anus. The rash will blister, scab, and fall off
over a two – four week period. The person is
contagious until the rash has fully healed and a
fresh layer of skin has formed.

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MONKEYPOX SPREADS THROUGH PHYSICAL CONTACT WITH:

- Infectious rash, scabs, or body fluids
- Personal belongings (like clothing) that have made contact with sores
- Respiratory droplets
   Pregnant people can spread the virus to their fetus through the

placenta.

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## HAVE SYMPTOMS? HERE'S WHAT TO DO:

- Call a Healthcare provider immediately about getting tested!
  - Isolate at home
  - Avoid any close physical contact
  - Wear a mask when around others



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