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**PRESS RELEASE**

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**ONE HUNDRED AND SEVEN (107) NEW COVID-19 CASES**

One hundred and seven (107) new COVID-19 positive cases were reported from four hundred and ninety (495) samples processed on Tuesday September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021, resulting in a positivity rate of 21.6%. All cases are contacts of positives or persons seeking care.

There are currently nineteen (19) patients admitted for COVID-19 at the AIF. Eighteen (18) are unvaccinated and one (1) patient is partially vaccinated. A further five (5) patients have been admitted to the COVID-19 ward at the Milton Cato Memorial Hospital. All are unvaccinated and the vaccination status of one (1) patient is awaiting verification.

Twelve (12) new recoveries were noted over the reporting period. Six hundred and ninety-seven (697) cases are currently active and seventeen (17) persons with COVID-19 have died. Three thousand seventy-one (3071) cases of COVID-19 and two thousand, three hundred and fifty-seven (2357) recoveries have been recorded in St. Vincent and the Grenadines since March 2020.

In view of the confirmed presence of the Delta, Mu and Gamma variants in the community and the significant increase in the number of new infections, transmission, severe COVID-19 disease and deaths, strict enforcement and compliance with all protocols and recommendations by everyone is strongly recommended. The correct and consistent use of masks, avoidance of crowds, physical distancing, proper hand sanitizing and immunization with available vaccines have all been proven to significantly reduce the risk of being infected, getting sick and or dying from the COVID-19 virus.

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