## ROBO CALL 08.09.2021

Good Evening this is Angela Kramer, Public Health Nurse for the Board of Health. I am calling today to update you on the current COVID-19 status for the town. Currently from July 1 to August 9 we have a total of 54 positive COVID-19 cases. We have currently seen an increase in cases in the past two weeks with individuals who are vaccinated and unvaccinated, through travel, events and social gatherings, informing us the virus is still community spread.

What should we be aware of:

The current fully vaccination rate for the town is 57% of residents. The Board of Health is recommending anyone who is not vaccinated to become vaccinated. Individuals ages 12 and older are all eligible to receive the vaccine. We recommend this because by limiting the viral spread, vaccination also minimizes the opportunity for introducing more infectious variants through mutation. Vaccination also helps to reduce the spread of the virus as well as experiencing the severity of symptoms from the virus. All pharmacy's in town currently have the vaccine, with walk-in appointments available.

For anyone homebound the Department of Public Health has an In-Home Vaccination program you can contact them at (833)983-0485 to schedule an appointment.

The Board of Health continues to promote the basic standards: If you are not feeling well please continue to stay home. Follow the current Mask Advisory, keep socially distant and wash your hands frequently. For more information on the current COVID-19 Mask Requirements please visit mass.gov/covid-19mask requirements

Together we can overcome this. Please reach out to the Board of Health with any questions or concerns at (413)583-5600 ext1272

Thank you and stay safe