



COVID-19 Response + Recovery

Cross-Functional Team Update

8.29.22

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Tommy Gonzalez



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August 29, 2022


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Texas Courts of Appeal

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3. Team Lead Report

a. Health Focus

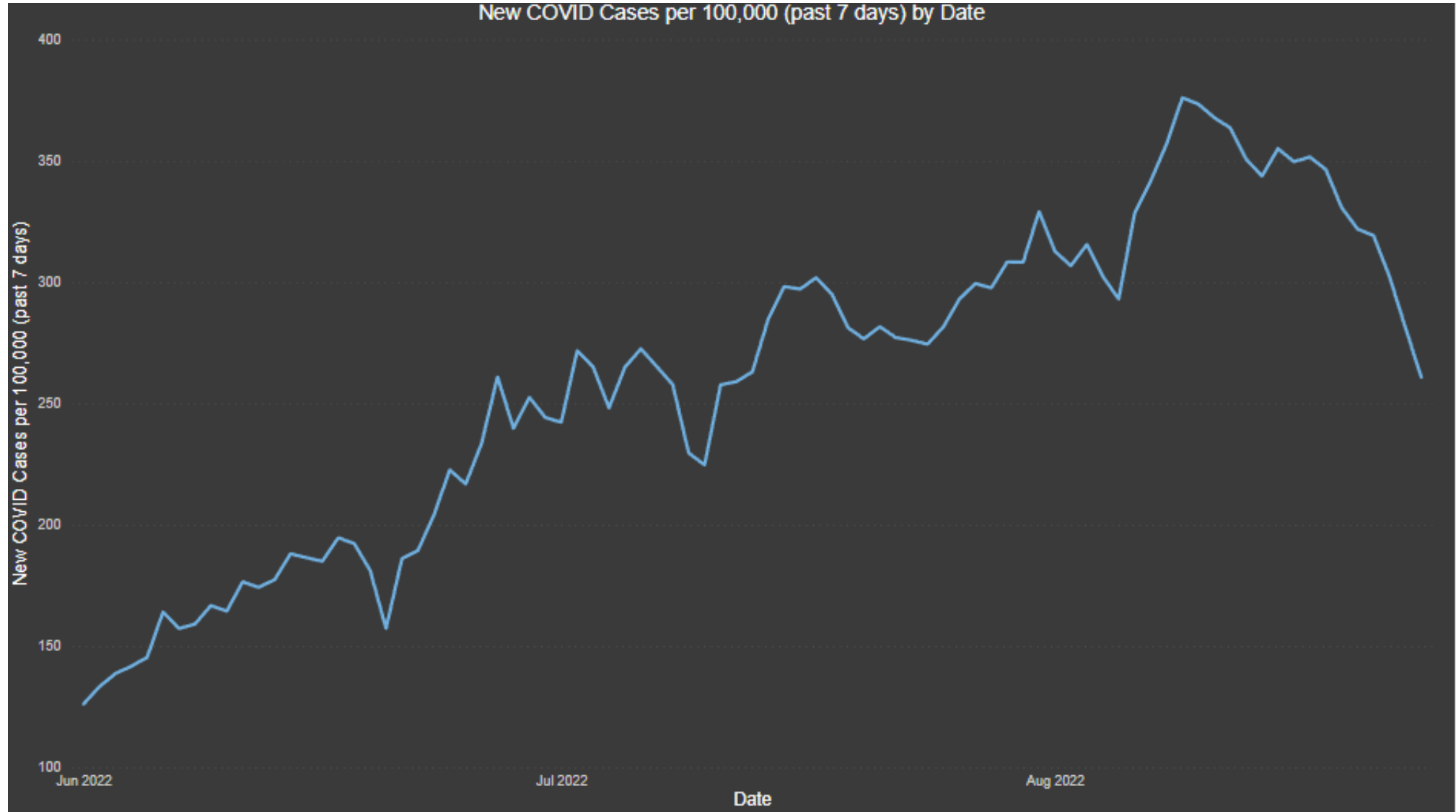
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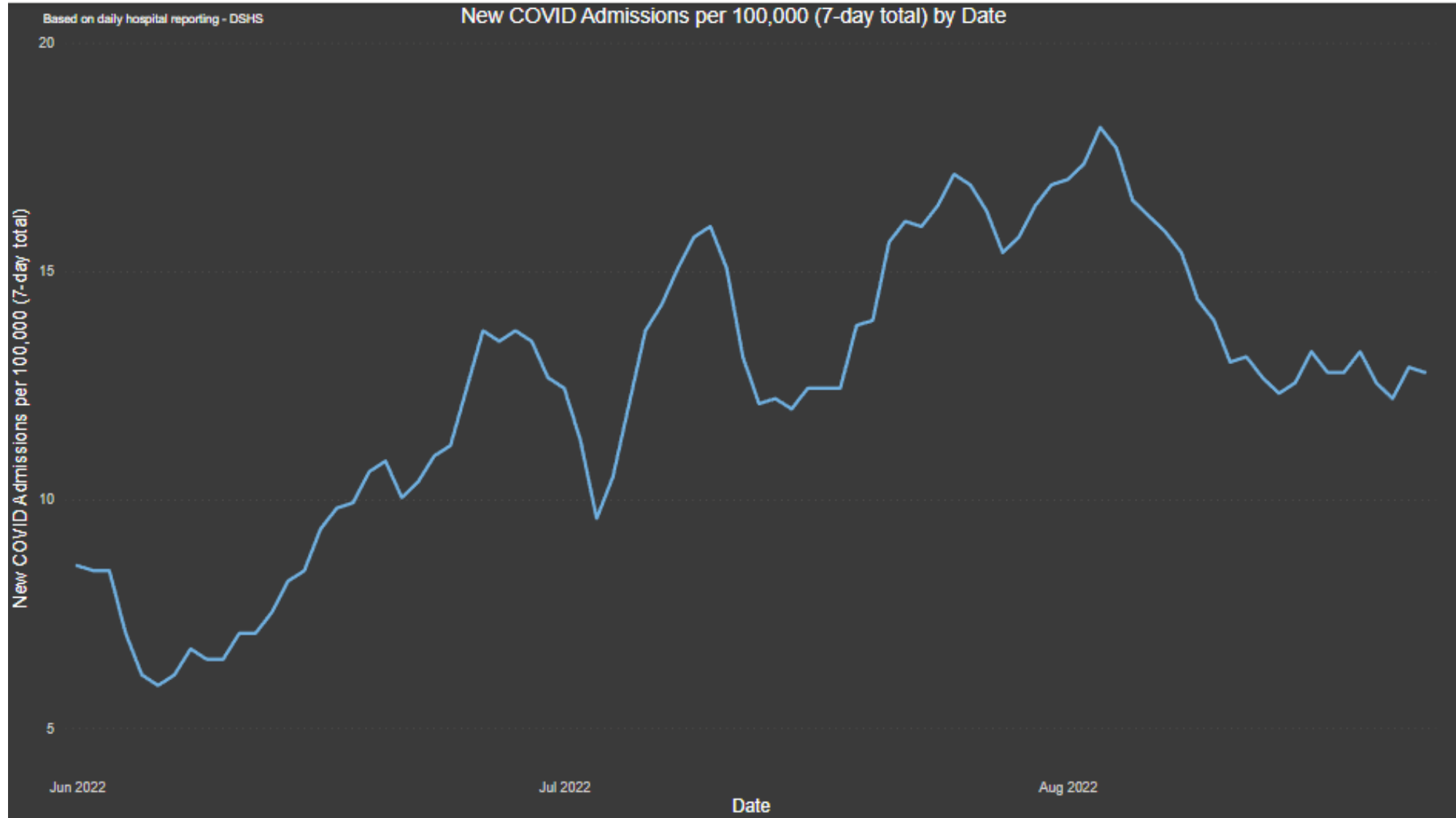
COVID-19 Update

- Community level continue HIGH
- New Cases continue High due to back to school
- New hospital admissions are decreasing
- New Bivalent vaccine in the horizon
- Omicron Subvariant BA.4 and BA.5 are the predominant strains seen

New Cases per 100,000



New Hospital Admissions





2022 – 2023 Flu Campaign

Collaboration Effort – DPH & Fire

Campaign Goals

- Initiates 8/31/22 at Aging to Perfection Event
- Robust start to take advantage of high participation rates from September thru late November
- 15,000 Vaccines 6 years and older
- Administered to First Responders and Community through various locations and outreach
 - Four El Paso Community Clinics
 - Outlet Mall
 - Focused Pop Up Events
 - Numerous nursing homes and assisted living, senior rec. centers, schools, and food banks



CDC – Why Vaccinate?

- Can keep you from getting sick with flu
- Shown to reduce the severity of illness in people who get vaccinated but still get sick
- -Can reduce the risk of flu-associated hospitalization
- -An important preventive tool for people with certain chronic health conditions
- -Helps protect pregnant people during and after pregnancy
- -May also protect people around you
- -Reduces the overall burden on our community's health care system by allowing system to tend to possible uptick in COVID related illness or other illness.

GET YOUR FLU
SHOT!





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POWERflu**



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**FREE FLU
SHOTS!**

For everyone older than
6 months of age

Outreach to promote vaccines

(in English and Spanish)

- **Billboards**
 - Ads in various locations around the city
- **Social Media**
 - Facebook, Instagram, Twitter ad campaigns
- **Radio Ads**

Monkeypox Update

- El Paso have only 1 case reported
- JYNNEOS vaccine was administered to close contacts and HCW
- Small amount of vaccine available in our community for PEP
- Patient recovered and no more cases so far
- DPH Epidemiology is providing advice to HCW and tacking information from reports
- Messaging done across city social media platforms
- Webpage in the works on Monkeypox information for the public

Stop the spread

- Avoid close, skin-to-skin contact with people who have a rash that looks like monkeypox
- Avoid contact with objects and materials that a person with monkeypox has used
- Wash your hands often



4. City Manager Wrap-up

Tommy Gonzalez



Thank you!