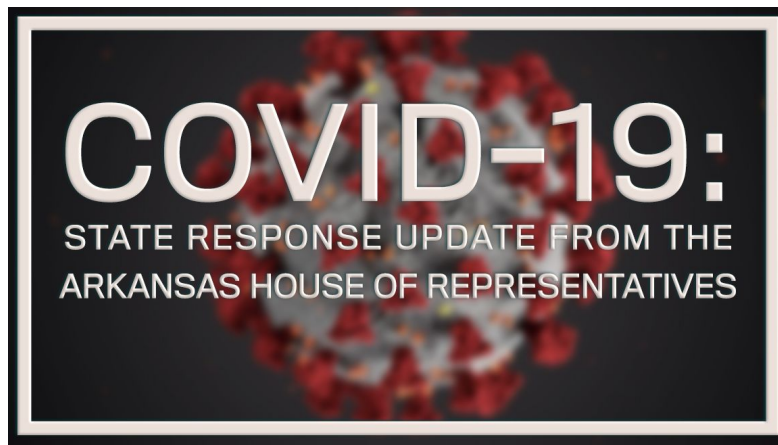




Arkansas House Newsletter

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Covid-19 Response Update for July 28, 2020



There were 734 new cases, 20 deaths, and an increase of 12 hospitalizations reported on Tuesday. The health department says 6 of the deaths occurred on previous days but reported in the last 24 hours. The counties with the highest number of new cases are as follows:

Pulaski-55

Benton-50

Mississippi-48

Sebastian-45

Washington-45

Pope-36

Faulkner-34

This morning, the Arkansas Legislative Council (ALC) voted in favor of directing \$16 million in federal funding for additional contact tracing statewide. ALC also approved \$7 million in federal funds to be directed to testing and tracing in minority communities in Northwest Arkansas.

The Governor said today that the health department would soon be releasing the number of positive antigen tests. Currently, the daily number of new cases reported are from the PCR tests.

Due to the level of accuracy of the antigen tests, positive results are reported as “presumptive positive.” The Governor said they would be releasing the antigen test numbers separately from the PCR test results. The state recently ordered 200 antigen testing machines.

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