



# CAMERON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

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## **Cameron County Confirms Second Monkeypox Case**

Cameron County Public Health has received confirmation of the second monkeypox case in a Cameron County resident. It has been determined that it is travel related and there is no evidence that this case is linked to the first monkeypox case reported in Cameron County.

The individual is currently under home isolation and is being monitored by Cameron County Public Health. Privacy laws prohibit the department from disclosing personal information or further details.

As part of the monkeypox response plan, Cameron County Public is conducting the epidemiological investigation to identify others who may have been exposed. This includes testing individuals who show signs and symptoms, providing prophylaxis as needed and monitoring close contacts. Cameron County Public Health will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as they are received.

Cameron County continues to emphasize the importance of the following prevention methods:

- Avoid close skin-to-skin contact with people who have a rash.
- Avoid sharing personal items including bedding, towels, clothing, and silverware.
- Limit intimate skin-to-skin contact to only people you know and trust.
- Be aware of any new rashes or sores on your body and your partner's.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer, especially before eating or touching your face and after using the bathroom.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces.
- Stay home if you have symptoms and talk to a healthcare provider.

For information on monkeypox, please contact the Cameron County Public Health Hotline at (956) 247-3650, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., or refer to the Cameron County Public Health website for more information and updates at <http://www.cameroncounty.us/publichealth>. Additionally, it is encouraged to visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website at <https://www.cdc.gov/> for daily updates.

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