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Southern Berkshire Collaborative Covid Info

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Hi all, thought this was a useful local update on Covid.

The "dashboard" info is available on the Tri-Town Health Dept. website, and is updated weekly https://www.lee.ma.us/tri-town-health-department

Summary provided by the Public Heatth nurses: "In summary, newly reported Berkshire County cases and test positivity both went down the first week of September, the opposite is true for South County towns, which saw cluster outbreaks at community events, along with continued high household spread. So far the most recent week is looking better, though a few more cases may roll in over the next couple days. Good news ahead with Pfizer indicating they are likely to soon apply for Emergency Authorization Use for the 5-11 year old age group, which could mean shots in kids' arms before Thanksgiving – that would go a long way in helping to protect them and other vulnerable individuals over the holidays. The center graph this week focuses on the major impact of vaccination against hospitalization and death, even with Delta in the mix. Vaccination makes a huge difference in disease outcomes!"

-Scott

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Thanks, Scott! Appreciate the South County info! Stay well, Mari

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