Press Release – 12/20/2021

The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) has reported that, as of December 5th, 58 Callahan County residents have died from COVID-19. No COVID related fatalities have been reported since that date. As of December 20th, DSHS reported 53 active or probable active cases in the county with 18 new confirmed cases in the last 14 days. DSHS reported a total of 929 confirmed and 1038 probable cases in Callahan County since they started tracking data.

Hospitalization information available from the DSHS disclosed that the percentage of hospital beds allocated to COVID-19 patients in the Abilene Trauma Service Area is 8.38% as of December 19th. More comprehensive information on these statistics can be found at https://dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/AdditionalData.aspx.

Vaccines are available from some providers in the county but, if you are home-bound, arrangements can be made to provide the vaccine at your home. Thanks to the Texas Division of Emergency Management and the Texas National Guard, this service was provided last week in the Cross Plains area and will be available in the Clyde and Baird areas next week. Please contact Callahan County Seniors at 325-854-5858 or the County at 325-854-5805 if you would like to have this service.

Please continue to be diligent in your efforts to prevent infections using good sanitation practices and following recommended protocols. Although masks are not required, some businesses may still require them.