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## **Tarrant County Public Health reports five COVID-19 deaths**

April 28, 2020 (Tarrant County, TX) -Tarrant County Public Health (TCPH) today reported five COVID-19 deaths.

The deceased include two men from Fort Worth in their 60s, two women, one in her 90s and one in her 70s, both from Arlington and a man in his 80s from Grapevine. Tarrant County now has 58 confirmed deaths from the COVID-19 virus. 289 people have recovered.

“Every loss of life to this disease is difficult for us to report, and we are sad for the families and friends of those who are lost,” said Tarrant County Public Health Director Vinny Taneja. He urged everyone to continue to follow Public Health guidelines, which include:

- Stay home as much as possible.
- If you do go out, wear a mask or scarf to cover your mouth and nose.
- Practice social distancing by staying six feet away from others when you are out.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Don't touch your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- If you experience difficulty breathing or persistent fever, call your primary care provider.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue or your sleeve.
- Frequently clean and disinfect touched objects and surfaces.

COVID-19 causes a respiratory illness with cough, fever and shortness of breath and may lead to bronchitis and severe pneumonia.

For more information go to [coronavirus.tarrantcounty.com](https://coronavirus.tarrantcounty.com) or call the Tarrant County Public Health information line, 817-248-6299, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.