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Update for Montgomery County Monoclonal Antibody Infusion Center

Status Update from the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – The Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management has been notified by the Texas Department of State Health Services that the supply of the COVID-19 Monoclonal Antibody therapeutic Sotrovimab has been exhausted. As a result, the Regional Infusion Center located in The Woodlands will not be able to provide Sotrovimab infusions after the close of business on Monday, December 27th.

Montgomery County officials have been advised that there are a number of COVID-19 positive patients that scheduled an appointment through the state hotline to receive a Sotrovimab infusion between December 28th and December 31st. Those patients will be contacted by the state notifying them that their appointment has been cancelled since no additional Sotrovimab courses of treatment are available. Patients are encouraged to notify their referring physician and/or their normal healthcare provider that their appointment to receive a Sotrovimab monoclonal antibody infusion has been cancelled and to seek additional treatment guidance.

With the rapid increase in COVID-19 cases due to the Omicron variant, there has been a corresponding increase in demand for monoclonal antibody therapeutics. Sotrovimab, the therapeutic most effective against the Omicron variant, is in very limited supply nationally. The State of Texas has allocated all available Sotrovimab courses of treatment to providers across Texas and is not expecting any additional shipments from the US Department of Health and Human Services until January.

The Montgomery County Regional Infusion Center will remain open to provide monoclonal antibody infusions using the Regeneron monoclonal antibody therapeutic or the Bamlanivimab plus Etesevimbab monoclonal antibody therapeutic to patients prescribed one of these treatments by their healthcare providers for a non-Omicron case of COVID-19.

State telemedicine resources are also available at www.txinfusion.org.