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The Town of Nantucket's Department of Health and Human Services is monitoring the increased infection rates across Massachusetts.

There have been only five positive cases reported by the Town and Nantucket Cottage Hospital since the 16th of July, all associated with travel. Contact tracing by the state and local authorities is underway. There are currently no hospitalizations associated with these cases.

While those vaccinated can become infected with the virus in some cases, the protection against hospitalization and death, along with reduced transmission rates, are all as expected. Vaccinated individuals can still contract and transmit the virus, though it remains very unlikely that they will develop symptoms or require hospitalization.

We will continue to monitor the situation as it evolves.

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