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Department of Health Investigating Possible Death Related to COVID-19

St. Croix, US Virgin Islands — The Virgin Islands Department of Health is investigating the unexpected death of a 41-year old male on St. Thomas who recovered from COVID-19 five weeks ago. Health officials are waiting for evaluation from the medical examiner for more details to determine if there is any direct relation to COVID-19. The deceased's next of kin has been notified.

If confirmed, this death will mark the twenty-fifth death related to COVID-19 in the territory. The Department extends condolences to the family of the deceased and continues to work with other agencies in taking unprecedented actions to slow the spread of COVID-19.

You should continue to follow these precautionary measures: stay at home, practice social distancing, wear a mask when in company of others outside of those in your household, clean frequently used areas thoroughly, and wash your hands often with soap and warm water.

To report a suspected case of COVID-19, please call (340) 712-6299 or (340) 776-1519. If you have a medical emergency, call 911. For more information, visit covid19usvi.com. For COVID-19 updates, text COVID19USVI to 888777.