New Bedford COVID-19 related deaths rise to 81 total

New Bedford health officials reported one additional COVID-19 related deaths since Friday, nine in the past four days, bringing the total to 81 in the city.

Mayor Jon Mitchell's office reported 17 additional confirmed COVID-19 cases in New Bedford on Saturday, **bringing the total positive cases in the city to 1,970, up from 1,953 on Friday.**

Mayor Jon Mitchell announced Saturday that the City of New Bedford will follow and implement the second phase of Governor Charlie Baker's reopening plan, which allows for additional sector reopening on Monday, June 8. Full details here.

14 additional cases of COVID-19 have been identified in Fall River, according to the Mayor's Office. This brings the total in Fall River to 1,433. Full details **here**.

The Baker-Polito Administration today announced that Phase II of the Commonwealth's reopening plan will begin on June 8th. Full details **here**.