Situation Report

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Incident COVID-19

Operational Period Dates: 4/3-4/6/2020
Times: 0800-0800

Reporting Unit Planning/Public Information

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The following reports on activities for the period shown:

Current Situation
- Lake County General Health District (LCGHD) is currently managing 79 COVID-19 cases.

Critical Issue(s)
- LCGHD does not have medical/other supplies for distribution.

Health District Updates
- Ron Graham spoke with Forbes House about the homeless population and thermometers.
- Ron Graham spoke with ODH and Lake Health about testing kits.
- Ron Graham continues to work with Lake Health, EMA, and County government about the status surge capacity, test kits, PPE, and coordination of messaging. Also, regional health care logistics capacity are being discussed.
- LCGHD has received 557 complaints to date regarding local business compliance to the Stay At Home Order, with 202 complaints being received since March 30, 2020.

Governor DeWine’s press conference of April 3 and 4, 2020 relayed the following information:

- Governor DeWine announced that the capacity to test has increased. Local hospitals lack swabs but Ohio State University and ODH are working to ensure these products are being made in Ohio.
- General Harris is working on facility buildout for acute patients. This will vary by region, but the sickest patients will land in critical care areas.
- Governor DeWine shared the steps they are taking to avoid COVID-19 spread within prisons. No visitors are allowed, employees are screened upon entry. The latest action will involve sending letters to judges around the state and suggesting 38 separate non violet prisoners who might be release early. 23 of them are women who are pregnant or gave birth in prison. There is an additional 115 nonviolent prisoners over the age of 60 and are within 60 days of release.
- Lt. Governor John Husted provided information about the Protection Program Loans. More information is available at www.coronavirus.ohio.gov/businesshelp
- Ohio Veterans homes are in desperate need of LPN’s and nursing assistants.
- The sterilization process of PPE will be free to hospitals, providers, and nursing homes during the next two weeks.
- There are two new logos on social media: #InTheTogetherOhio, #StayHomeOhio. You can search for them on Facebook and upload them to your picture to show your support.

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• The three ways we are trying to build capacity in our hospitals is to 1) cut down on elective surgeries to free up beds, 2) the Ohio National Guard’s physical buildout, and 3) hospital beds are making more rooms.
• A new order was signed to remove certain requirements so those in need may access telehealth for mental and behavioral health issues.
• The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is recommending the use of cloth face coverings for everyone (See “Additional Information” below). Governor DeWine and Dr. Acton are encouraging everyone to wear cloth face masks in public settings where social distancing is difficult. Employers are encouraged to allow their employees to wear them, as well.
• Find hot spots under www.coronavirus.ohio.gov/businesshelp.
• Don’t forget to request your absentee ballot. Complete the census if you haven’t already. Go to www.coronavirus.ohio.gov/jobsearch to find open jobs in Ohio.
• Ohio Department of Aging has been working to get more resource to deliver meals to the elderly in Ohio. Older citizens are at higher risk for COVID-19.
• There have been more than 41,000 COVID-19 tests administered.

Planned Activities (next 24 – 72 hours)
• Conduct face-to-face education and compliance meetings on the Stay At Home Order with local businesses.
• Conduct contact tracing, follow-up, and required reporting.
• Transition from a physical COVID-19 hotline to a virtual one to continue to increase the amount of staff that are telecommuting.

Additional Information
• Use of Face Coverings to Help Slow the Spread of COVID-19
• Cloth Face Coverings – Q&A
• COVIDView – A Weekly Surveillance Summary of U.S. COVID-19 Activity
• Dr. Jerome Adams, Surgeon General – How to Make Your Own Face Covering
• Recommendations of Ohio Funeral Directors Association to Facilitate the Transfer of Deceased Patients from Hospital Facilities

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