Situation Report

Incident COVID-19: #20

Operational Period Dates: 4/10-4/13/2020
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 114 COVID-19 cases. There have been six deaths in Lake County as the result of COVID-19 infection.

Critical Issue(s)

- LCGHD does not have medical/other supplies for distribution.

Health District Updates

- LCGHD continues to enforce the Stay At Home Order, operate the Lake County COVID-19 hotline (440-350-2188), and perform contact tracing.
- LCGHD has received 728 complaints to date regarding local business compliance to the Stay At Home Order, with 415 complaints being received since March 30, 2020.
- Scammers are trying to monopolize on the fear and uncertainty that COVID-19 has brought to so many. Consumers who suspect an unfair or deceptive sales practice should contact the office of Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost at www.OhioProtects.org or 1-800-282-0515.

Governor DeWine’s press conference of April 10, 2020 relayed the following information:

- Governor DeWine announced that Medicaid, the managed care plans, and MyCare Ohio plans have collaborated to reduce the administrative requirements of physicians and others to provide more flexibility so that they can focus on safe patient care.
  * Medicaid has eased several pharmacy benefit restrictions.
  * Prior authorizations will be by-passed for new prescriptions.
  * Members will receive pharmacy benefits regardless of in-network or out-of-network provider status.
  * The threshold for refills on certain prescriptions will be relaxed.
  * Pharmacists who dispense emergency refills without a prescription will be reimbursed.
  * Pharmacies that dispense over-the-counter medications without a prescription will be reimbursed.
  * Member co-pays will be waived for all prescriptions.
  * 90-day supplies on maintenance medications will be authorized.
- As of March 27l, 2020, managed care plans have already lifted prior authorizations for all but a few services. Physicians and other providers, without prior authorization by a managed care plan, are using clinical judgment to determine if something is a medical necessity.

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Lieutenant Governor Jon Husted announced that the United States Food and Drug Administration has granted STERIS Healthcare in Mentor a temporary Emergency Use Authorization for decontaminating compatible N95 and N95-equivalent respirators. More information is available at steris.com/covid-19.

Many Ohio distilleries are now producing large quantities of hand sanitizer. JobsOhio has purchased more than 3,100 cases (more than 1 million ounces) of distillery-made sanitizer. JobsOhio will donate the hand sanitizer to the Ohio Association of Foodbanks.

Governor DeWine announced a new permit from the Ohio Department of Transportation will allow food vendors to sell food to truck drivers and other essential personnel who stop at any of the state’s 86 rest areas. The permit is of no cost to the vendor and can be found on ODOT’s website at www.transportation.ohio.gov. Vendors must display it at all times while operating, and must abide by state and local food service regulations, as well as social distancing guidelines. The Ohio State Highway Patrol will regularly monitor rest areas to enforce compliance with all Ohio laws and regulations.

There will be new data categories for total COVID-19 cases and total COVID-19 fatalities:
  * Confirmed Cases and Confirmed Deaths: Data calculated through laboratory tests. This data is consistent with Ohio's previous data reporting.
  * CDC Expanded Case Definition and CDC Expanded Death Definition: Data that follows updated CDC criteria and includes those who have tested positive for COVID-19 antibodies, those who've been diagnosed with COVID-19 without a laboratory test, and those who death certificates list COVID-19 as the cause of death without a laboratory test.
  * Ohio will also report the combined total numbers of cases and the combined total number of deaths.

Planned Activities (next 24 – 72 hours)

- Re-assess current objectives according to United States Department of Health and Human Services checklists.

Additional Information

- What’s New on the CDC Website
- Clinical Questions about COVID-19 – Questions and Answers
- Frequently Asked Questions and Answers: Coronavirus Disease-2019 (COVID-19) and Children
- COVIDView Friday, April 10, 2020
- ODH COVID-19 Dashboard
- COVID-19 Ask the Expert: Anthony J. Armstrong

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Daily ODH-Confirmed Cases in Ohio

- # Total Cases
- # New Cases
- % Increase in New Cases

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