Situation Report #61

Incident COVID-19

Operational Period Dates: 6/26 - 7/1/2020
Times: 0800-0800

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The following reports on activities for the period shown:

Current Situation

- Cumulative daily count: cases – 433; hospitalizations – 84; deaths – 17 (current status. Definitive cause of death can take weeks to determine)

Health District Updates

- LCGHD operates the Lake County COVID-19 hotline (440-350-2188) and covid19@lcghd.org email inbox, and performs seven day per week contact tracing activities.
- LCGHD has received 1,459 complaints to date regarding local business compliance to government orders.
- LCGHD attended the Lake County Mayors and City Managers meeting.
- LCGHD collaborated with Lake County Emergency Management Agency and Lake County Buildings and Grounds to receive personal protective equipment (PPE) from the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS).
- Information was requested from LCGHD by Fox 8 News.
- Responded to inquiry from Channel 5 Cleveland re: contract tracing capacity.
- LCGHD presented COVID-19 information at the Lake County Citizen Corps and Medical Reserve Corps Training Event.

Governor DeWine held a press conference on June 29, 2020. Items discussed include:

- The increased number of cases in Ohio is not inherently due to increased testing. The positivity rate has increased slightly as our testing totals have increased. If the spread of the virus remains at a low level, more testing should show lower positivity. The increase in our positivity rate means there is likely broader community spread.
- Last week was Ohio’s first week of increasing COVID-19 hospital utilization after more than two months of decreasing utilization since late April.
- The number of standard hospital beds occupied by patients with COVID-19 peaked in late April and early May at roughly 1,000 patients, and reached a low of 513 patients on June 20.
  - As of the present week, there are approximately 650 COVID-19 patients occupying beds in Ohio hospitals.
    - One week ago, approximately 500 to 550 total COVID-19 patients were occupying beds in Ohio hospitals.
  - COVID-19 hospitalizations in the Cleveland, Dayton, and Cincinnati areas have been increasing.

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- In other regions of the state, COVID-19 hospital occupancy had been declining, but now appears to have leveled off.
- Although COVID-19 utilization in hospitals is increasing, there is adequate overall capacity.
- No region has reached the concern threshold of 80% overall utilization for ICU beds.
  - Lessons from New York City, Texas, and Arizona demonstrate that this situation can quickly change.
- The current positivity rate of COVID-19 tests is currently 4.7%.
- Hamilton and Montgomery Counties are of particular concern.
  - Increased caseloads and clusters in Dayton and Montgomery.
    - 20- to 39-year olds account for nearly one-third of the current COVID-19 caseload.
    - Hamilton County has increased from 30 cases per 100,000 population per day to 100 cases per 100,000 population per day.
      - The clinical COVID-19 caseload has doubled in Hamilton County.
    - Montgomery County has increased from 10 confirmed cases per day to 40 confirmed cases per day.
      - Hospital capacity is approaching April-like levels in Montgomery County.
- Current state orders will be extended through this week.
  - Plans are forthcoming to help local schools safely reopen.
- Nursing homes
  - On July 20, facilities will be permitted to conduct outdoor visitation.
    - Facilities should consider the following:
      - Community case status
      - Nursing home case status
      - Staffing levels
      - Access to adequate testing for residents and staff
      - PPE supplies
      - Hospital capacity
  - The order and related guidance will be made available at coronavirus.ohio.gov.
- Pop-up testing sites are being added, and information is available at coronavirus.ohio.gov.
  - Click the “Testing and Community Health Centers” tab.
- The National Guard has tested over 25,000 Ohioans.

**Additional Information**
- [What’s New on the CDC Website](#)
- [COVID-19 Posters and Signs](#)
- [Updated COVID-19 Testing Guidance](#)
- [Director’s Order to Extend Expiration Date of Various Orders](#)
- [Director’s Order that Provides Guidance for Contact Sport Practices and Non-Contact Sport Competitions, with Exceptions](#)

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