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SITUATION REPORT	INCIDENT	OPERATIONAL PERIOD	REPORTING UNIT	FORM
External	COVID-19	START: 09/25/20 0800 END: 09/25/20 1800	PADOH	ICS 209 - Short

CLEARED FOR PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

CURRENT SITUATION

PADOH continues coordination efforts with FEMA, PEMA, and other state agencies through the Department Operations Center (DOC) to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19. DOH focus remains on Long-term care facility outbreaks and joint agency planning for potential COVID-19 impacts on the school system.

PADOH updated both the County and PA COVID-19 dashboards to provide public awareness. The county dashboard can be found here: https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Cases.aspx
The COVID-19 dashboard can be found here: https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Cases.aspx

Currently, there are 154,203 (+806) positive cases and 8,081 (+2) deaths in Pennsylvania. As of September 25, 2020, there have been positive cases at 969 LTC/PCH facilities, 43 jails/prisons, and 337 food industry facilities. 82% of all Pennsylvania positive cases are considered recovered. A recovered case is one that has not been reported as a death and is more than 30 days past the date of the positive test or onset of symptoms.

As of 1600 on September 25, 2020, there were 7,015,242 (+52,909) cases in the U.S, and 32,381,243 (+332,910) worldwide. There have been 203,329 (+862) deaths in the U.S. and 985,104 (+5,650) throughout the world.

Epidemiological investigations and contact tracing continue throughout the state to determine potential exposure of additional persons. The PA state lab has increased capacity to account for the testing surge. Commercial and medical system labs are on-line and testing for COVID-19.

CASE COUNTS

Pennsylvania Counts/Casualties and Distribution

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County	Cases	Deaths	County	Cases	Deaths	County	Cases	Deaths
Adams	822	26	Elk	72	2	Montour	168	5
Allegheny	11,995	354	Erie	1,526	38	Northampton	4,457	305
Armstrong	428	18	Fayette	788	7	Northumberland	963	51
Beaver	1,872	122	Forest	15	0	Perry	217	6
Bedford	238	6	Franklin	1,757	50	Philadelphia	31,418	1,818
Berks	6,979	393	Fulton	47	2	Pike	572	22
Blair	648	16	Greene	183	1	Potter	28	0
Bradford	135	3	Huntingdon	401	6	Schuylkill	1,101	52
Bucks	8,704	607	Indiana	692	12	Snyder	298	4
Butler	1,034	23	Jefferson	111	3	Somerset	212	3
Cambria	560	7	Juniata	186	7	Sullivan	11	0
Cameron	8	0	Lackawanna	2,459	217	Susquehanna	293	28
Carbon	462	28	Lancaster	7,770	458	Tioga	67	3
Centre	2,231	11	Lawrence	510	23	Union	464	6
Chester	6,735	364	Lebanon	2,001	59	Venango	84	1
Clarion	120	3	Lehigh	5,568	353	Warren	42	1

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Clearfield	317	3	Luzerne	4,071	189	Washington	1,320	29
Clinton	204	6	Lycoming	658	25	Wayne	224	10
Columbia	883	35	McKean	57	2	Westmoreland	2,184	52
Crawford	303	3	Mercer	720	16	Wyoming	74	8
Cumberland	1,814	77	Mifflin	221	2	York	4,752	153
Dauphin	3,767	180	Monroe	1,787	133			
Delaware	11,311	756	Montgomery	12,084	878			

Source: PA-NEDSS & EDRS

Bed Availability Percentages by HCC Region

	Adult ICU	Medical/ Surgical	Pediatric ICU	Pediatric	Airborne Isolation
Statewide	21.9	18.8	12.6	35.3	39.1
East Central	15.3	9.4	57.1	22.4	86.9
Southwest	21.3	22.8	25.0	21.3	35.0
Keystone	24.9	14.3	5.6	44.5	47.6
North Central	22.6	40.0	N/A	66.7	72.5
Northeast	8.6	11.1	23.1	22.8	41.5
Northern Tier	27.6	26.8	N/A	48.0	46.5
Southeast	23.5	18.4	7.6	56.8	25.8

Source: CORVENA

Timeline:

August 6, 2020 – Governor Wolf recommended all Pre-K-12 school and recreational youth sports be postponed until at least January 1, 2021

August 19, 2020 – Contact Tracing Mobile App pilot program begins – app will be available early September August 25, 2020 – Dr. Levine announced Pennsylvania's COVID-19 Mobile Response Unit, CATE (Community-Accessible Testing and Education), to provide testing and education to minority and underserved communities. Governor Wolf also presented his fall legislative agenda for COVID-19 support and recovery.

September 1, 2020 – Governor Wolf signed the second renewal of the COVID-19 Disaster Declaration for State Response and Recovery. All DHS licensed care facilities completed universal testing by the August 31, 2020 deadline. September 3, 2020 – Secretary Levine released updated skilled nursing facility guidance, including updated routine testing strategies

September 8, 2020 – Governor Wolf announced that restaurants can increase indoor occupancy back to 50% starting September 21, 2020

September 22, 2020 – Governor Wolf and Secretary Levine announced the launch of the COVID Alert PA app, which uses Bluetooth technology to let a person know that they have been exposed to COVID-19 without compromising identity or location. Updated guidance regarding testing and visitation for personal care homes, assisted living residents, and private intermediate care facilities was also released.

September 25, 2020 – Secretary Levine announced the closing of the remaining nine Walmart drive-thru COVID-19 testing sites across the state at close of business due to steadily decreasing registrations. DOH has also contracted with AMI Expeditionary Healthcare to provide pop-up COVID-19 testing sites in Centre and Columbia County.

Additional chronology of DOH actions and announcements is available at: https://www.media.pa.gov/Pages/Health.aspx

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Delivery of resources ongoing

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- Continued work towards planning for site assessments and universal testing at LTC facilities
- Continued development/enhancement of the Universal Testing Request process
- Ongoing revisions/edits for COVID-19 Vaccine Plan draft

CHALLENGES

- Addressing PPE issues
- Addressing needs of LTC facilities and other congregate settings

PLANNED ACTIVITIES (NEXT 24 – 72 HOURS)

- County and Municipal Health Department calls held weekly, as needed
- Coordinate messaging and information requests from state agencies
- Disseminate a health alert (HAN) on updated CDC guidance as necessary
- Continue local and regional planning support efforts with partner state agencies

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Effective June 28, 2020, the DOC will be closed on Sundays
- Coronavirus informational webpage on PA DOH website live here
- Public inquiry resource account: <u>RA-DHCOVIDQUESTIONS@pa.gov</u>

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