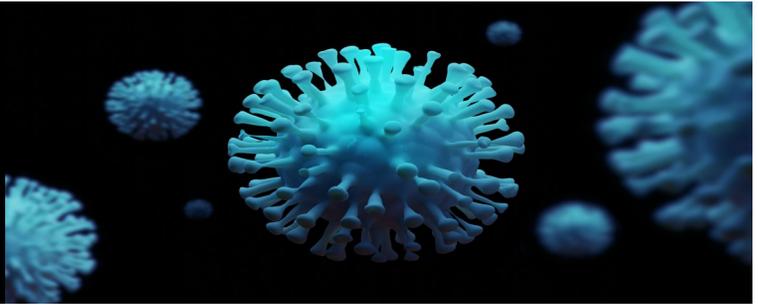


COVID-19 (novel coronavirus)

Morrow County Health District

Community Partner Update



April 7, 2020

Mt. Gilead, OH

Dear Morrow County Community Partners:

These are the latest COVID-19 updates and Morrow County Health District's response to this event.

Local Situation Update

As of April 7, 2020, there are 7 confirmed case of COVID-19 in Morrow County.

These cases include 4 males and 3 females. The age range for these individuals is 31-71 years old, with an average age of 47 years. 2 of these cases have had to be hospitalized and 5 have been recovering at home. Our epidemiology team has completed the contact investigation processes for this cases, and all close contacts have been notified. In accordance with the Ohio Department of Health's guidelines, MCHD will ONLY be releasing the age group, gender, and hospitalization status of confirmed cases to the public.

We know that these cases are only a snapshot of COVID-19 in our county. Due to the limited testing availability, there are likely many more cases than this.

Walk-in public access to MCHD's office is currently closed. If you need to visit our agency, call 419-947-1545 to discuss setting up an appointment.

For the latest Morrow County information, please be sure to follow us on Facebook.

Statewide Situation Update

As of **April 7, 2020**, there are **4,782** confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Ohio, including **167** deaths. These cases range in age from **less than 1 year** old to **101** years old, with a median age of **54** years old.

The most recent Director's Public Health Order, issued on April 2, 2020, is the **Amended Stay at Home Order**. This order amends the current Stay at Home Order that expired on 4/6/2020 at 11:59 pm. This order extends the Stay at Home requirements until May 1, 2020. There are also additional stipulations for businesses included in this amendment. [Learn more.](#)

For the current Ohio information, please visit the [Ohio Department of Health Website.](#)

National Situation Update

According to the CDC, There have been **374,329** confirmed COVID-19 cases across the United States, and **12,064** total deaths from the disease. Cases have been reported in all **50** states, as well as the U.S. territories of: District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the US Virgin Islands. Due to the extensive community transmission of COVID-19 in the area the CDC has issued a [Domestic Travel Health Advisory](#) for **New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut**. [Learn More](#).

For more information, including guidance and recommendations, please visit the [CDC Website](#).

How to Help

- ◆ **Be strategic about going out:** Continue to help flatten the curve by staying home whenever possible. If you do need to go out: send just one person, stick to your grocery list, go during off-peak times, plan to accomplish as much as you can in the least amount of time out.
- ◆ **Donate unused personal protective equipment (PPE):** MCHD and the Morrow County Emergency Management Agency are still working together to collect donations, and redistribute them to our Morrow County First Responders (police, EMS, and fire), and other community partners. If you are interested in donating any PPE, please call us at 419-947-1545, and we can arrange a pick up.
- ◆ **Become a volunteer:** We need you! Please join the Ohio Responds Volunteer Registry at: <https://www.ohioresponds.odh.ohio.gov> to get registered with us as a volunteer for Morrow County. Feel free to encourage your friends and family to register as well!
- ◆ **Help correct misinformation:** There are many rumors circulating in the community about COVID-19 an Morrow County's response to it. Please correct rumors where you can, and direct them to call us if they have questions.

We are here for you!

This pandemic has been described as a once-in-a-lifetime event, and there are many unknowns that are still being worked through. Dealing with the uncertainty is difficult, but know that you aren't alone. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to us at 419-947-1545, and we will help you as best we can.

We are all in this together, and together, we will get through this!



— Stephanie Bragg, Health Commissioner