

<b>SITUATION REPORT</b>	INCIDENT	OPERATIONAL PERIOD	REPORTING UNIT	FORM
External	COVID-19	START: 11/18/20 0800 END: 11/18/20 1600	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 educational institutions.

Currently, there are **281,852 (+6,339)** positive cases and **9,465 (+110)** deaths in Pennsylvania. There have been positive cases at **1,171 (+9)** LTC/PCH facilities, 43 jails/prisons, and **367 (+1)** food industry facilities. **66% (-1)** 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 November, 18, 2020, there were **11,441,946 (+152,649)** cases in the U.S, and **56,024,130 (+637,426)** worldwide. There have been **249,733 (+1,732)** deaths in the U.S. and **1,345,639 (+12,160)** worldwide due to COVID-19.

Yesterday Central Penn Business Journal reported Secretary of Health Dr. Rachel Levine announced new mitigation efforts that the Wolf Administration will be taking to slow the spread of COVID-19 in the state. New efforts include:

- An order requiring anyone who visits from another state to have a negative COVID-19 test within 72 hours before entering Pennsylvania.
- A recommendation that Pennsylvanians wear masks indoors and outdoors even if they are more than six feet away from someone else. This is more stringent than the previous recommendation.
- More stringent testing of students returning to colleges and universities after the holidays.

Levine specified in the press conference that the state is not looking to enact any mass closures of businesses or to introduce another phased reopening process as it did earlier in the year.

**CASE COUNTS****Pennsylvania Counts/Casualties and Distribution**

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County	Cases	Deaths	County	Cases	Deaths	County	Cases	Deaths
Adams	1987	40	Elk	383	3	Montour	392	14
Allegheny	21434	453	Erie	3764	46	Northampton	7143	324
Armstrong	1331	32	Fayette	1502	17	Northumberland	2057	119
Beaver	3012	144	Forest	29	1	Perry	519	8
Bedford	1026	11	Franklin	3425	84	Philadelphia	51589	1951
Berks	11888	445	Fulton	183	4	Pike	751	23
Blair	2748	43	Greene	507	1	Potter	118	3
Bradford	1493	29	Huntingdon	1439	40	Schuylkill	3121	139
Bucks	13686	641	Indiana	1936	27	Snyder	778	18
Butler	3218	48	Jefferson	470	4	Somerset	1045	8
Cambria	2530	25	Juniata	494	11	Sullivan	39	1
Cameron	17	0	Lackawanna	4465	229	Susquehanna	504	31

Carbon	949	40	Lancaster	12853	499	Tioga	619	7
Centre	5329	25	Lawrence	1686	58	Union	1041	13
Chester	10180	381	Lebanon	4279	89	Venango	615	1
Clarion	570	6	Lehigh	8970	374	Warren	124	1
Clearfield	975	8	Luzerne	7555	236	Washington	3340	53
Clinton	452	9	Lycoming	1463	33	Wayne	360	12
Columbia	1275	45	McKean	302	2	Westmoreland	6649	143
Crawford	1241	8	Mercer	2084	31	Wyoming	344	13
Cumberland	3821	91	Mifflin	1048	10	York	8632	227
Dauphin	6365	206	Monroe	2659	137			
Delaware	17294	781	Montgomery	18155	909			

Source: PA-NEDSS & EDRS

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### Bed Availability Percentages by HCC Region

	Adult ICU	Medical/ Surgical	Pediatric ICU	Pediatric	Airborne Isolation
<b>Statewide</b>	16.1 (-2.7)	14.6 (-2.7)	11.1 (-0.9)	37.8 (-0.3)	33.8 (-0.9)
<b>East Central</b>	12.2 (-11.8)	8.6 (+13.3)	35.7 (-14.3)	27.3 (-9.2)	68.4 (-1.4)
<b>Southwest</b>	16.6 (-1.1)	20.9 (-1.5)	25.0 (+10.4)	26.2 (+0.2)	26.6 (-1.3)
<b>Keystone</b>	21.4 (-5.1)	10.6 (-2.3)	22.2 (-11.1)	35.0 (-0.6)	40.2 (-2.8)
<b>North Central</b>	18.8 (+3.4)	30.9 (-8.6)	N/A	60.0 (+6.7)	73.0 (-7.0)
<b>Northeast</b>	7.3 (-0.2)	5.1 (-1.5)	30.8 (nc)	24.4 (+2.4)	42.9 (+0.3)
<b>Northern Tier</b>	22.6 (-0.1)	25.1 (-2.7)	N/A	62.9 (+8.2)	45.1 (+12.0)
<b>Southeast</b>	14.4 (-3.7)	12.2 (-1.9)	5.2 (-1.6)	61.2 (-4.7)	22.7 (-1.4)

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 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.

October 1, 2020 - PADOH no longer coordinates distribution of Remdesivir (Veklury). Healthcare facilities can procure the medication direct from the vendor.

October 14, 2020 – PADOH began distributing the first allotment of 250,000 COVID-19 antigen test kits.

October 27, 2020 – Battelle Decontamination System decommissioned.

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

#### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Delivery of resources ongoing
- 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

#### **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
- Distribution of COVID-19 antigen test kits

#### **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: [RA-DHCOVIDQUESTIONS@pa.gov](mailto:RA-DHCOVIDQUESTIONS@pa.gov)