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COVID-19 OUTBREAK

COVID-19 BRIEFING - 187.1

OCTOBER 29, 2020

For Operational Period: October 28, 2020

WORLDWIDE

44,876,236 Cases
1,180,901 Deaths

UNITED STATES

9,121,800 Cases
233,137 Deaths

MICHIGAN

185,934 Cases
7,606 Deaths

OUT-WAYNE COUNTY

22,434 Cases
1,341 Deaths

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

- German Chancellor Angela Merkel says officials have agreed to a four-week shutdown of restaurants, bars, cinemas, theaters and other leisure facilities in a bid to curb a sharp rise in coronavirus infections. Merkel and the country's 16 state governors, who are responsible for imposing and easing restrictions, agreed on the partial lockdown in a videoconference Oct. 28th. It is set to take effect Monday, Nov. 2nd and last until the end of November.—[Click on Detroit](#)
- To ensure Michigan voters remain healthy and reduce the spread of COVID-19 during the Nov. 3rd general election, MDHHS has released [recommendations](#) for voters, poll workers and election officials. "This guidance allows Michiganders to carry out their right to vote while doing it safely during the pandemic," said Dr. Khaldun. "I encourage registered voters to consider voting alternatives to limit the number of people they come in contact with and to help reduce the spread of the virus."—[Michigan.gov](#)
- MDHHS issued an [epidemic order](#) adding requirements for COVID-19 diagnostic testing in homes for the aged (HFAs) and larger adult foster care facilities, and modifying requirements for skilled nursing facilities (SNFs).—[Michigan.gov](#)
- U.S. health officials are urging Americans to get their flu shots this year in the hopes of thwarting a winter "twindemic"—a situation in which both influenza and COVID-19 spread and sicken the public. A new [study](#) suggests that there could be another key reason to get a flu jab this year: it might reduce your risk of COVID-19. The research indicates that a flu vaccine against the influenza virus may also trigger the body to produce broad infection-fighting molecules that combat the pandemic-causing coronavirus.—[Scientific American](#)

UPCOMING POP-UP TESTING SITES

- November 14 & 15: Inkster (Dozier Recreation Center)

ACTIONS TAKEN

- The Public Health Emergency Operations Center (PHOC) is at FULL ACTIVATION.

USEFUL RESOURCES

[\(NEW!\) Holiday Safety](#)

[Find a Testing Site Near You](#)

[Return to School Roadmap](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Wayne County](#)

[Michigan.gov/coronavirus](#)

[COVID-19 Workplace Toolkit](#)

[\(NEW!\) Vote Safely](#)

[COVID-19 Educational Materials](#)

[Prevent Flu](#)

Disaster Distress Helpline: 1-800-985-5990

National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233 and TTY 1-800-787-3224

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