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COVID-19 OUTBREAK

SITUATION REPORT - 154.1

SEPTEMBER 11, 2020

For Operational Period: September 10, 2020

WORLDWIDE

28,364,016 Cases

914,483 Deaths

UNITED STATES

6,588,825 Cases

196,345 Deaths

MICHIGAN

120,846 Cases

6,894 Deaths

OUT-WAYNE COUNTY

17,296 Cases

1,273 Deaths

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

- People living in residential care facilities such as nursing homes soon will be able to see visitors outdoors under a new epidemic order signed by Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Director Robert Gordon that also requires precautions to protect against COVID-19. The directive permits additional exceptions to Gov. Gretchen Whitmer's order that temporarily restricts visits during the pandemic for the health and safety of residents, visitors and staff at health care, residential care, congregate care and juvenile justice facilities. Based in part on recommendations from Gov. Whitmer's Nursing Home Preparedness Task Force, the new [order](#) is effective next Tuesday, Sept. 15.
- Governor Whitmer announced Michigan's new [Futures for Frontliners](#) program. The program will provide tuition-free secondary education to Michigan's essential workers who do not have college degrees or high school diplomas- an estimated 625,000 residents. Funding for the program comes from the CARES Act.
- The Unemployment Insurance Agency (UIA) has started processing payments for Lost Wages Assistance (LWA) for eligible Michiganders. Workers will begin receiving LWA payments over the next week to ten days. LWA is funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to provide \$300 per week to supplement unemployment benefits for those who are unemployed or partially unemployed due to disruptions caused by COVID-19. FEMA has recently alerted states that LWA funds will only be available for a total of six weeks.
- Nationally, at least [six teachers](#) have died of COVID-19 so far this school year. Educators in Missouri, Mississippi, South Carolina, Iowa and Oklahoma have died as the fall semester started in their districts. Some districts have also been struggling to comply with quarantine requirements as staff and students test positive for the virus.
- Pfizer and BioNTech announced data from [preclinical studies](#) of their COVID-19 vaccine. Their vaccine was shown to effectively prevent COVID-19 infection in non-human primates. These results contributed to Pfizer and BioNTech's decision to proceed to the next phase of their clinical study. There are currently over 25,000 participants enrolled in the Phase2/3, with additional enrollment planned. The preclinical studies are currently undergoing scientific peer-review.

ACTIONS TAKEN

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

USEFUL RESOURCES

[Readiness for Schools](#)

[Find a Testing Site Near You](#)

[Return to School Roadmap](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Wayne County](#)

[Michigan.gov/coronavirus](#)

[COVID-19 Workplace Toolkit](#)

[Save-A-Life Program](#)

[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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