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COVID-19 OUTBREAK

COVID-19 BRIEFING - 200.1

NOVEMBER 18, 2020

For Operational Period: November 17, 2020

WORLDWIDE

56,077,386 Cases
1,346,248 Deaths

UNITED STATES

11,697,469 Cases
254,291 Deaths

MICHIGAN

296,840 Cases
8,511 Deaths

OUT-WAYNE COUNTY

31,337 Cases
1,394 Deaths

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

- Michigan has seen more than 260,000 total cases of COVID-19 since the pandemic began in the state, but 30% of the total cases have come in the past two weeks. The state has set several records for single-day increases going back to the beginning of November, with three records set last week. —**WXYZ Detroit**
- A leading coronavirus vaccine candidate developed by Pfizer and BioNTech will be submitted for regulatory approval "within days," the companies announced Nov. 18, after their final analysis suggested the drug was even more effective than previously thought. The U.S. pharma giant and its German partner said their Phase 3 trial was now complete and that it found the vaccine was 95 percent effective at preventing symptomatic COVID-19 — up from the 90 percent announced last week. —**NBC News**
- The first COVID-19 diagnostic at-home self-test that provides rapid results has been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, the agency announced Nov. 17. "While COVID-19 diagnostic tests have been authorized for at-home collection, this is the first that can be fully self-administered and provide results at home," FDA Commissioner Stephen Hahn said in a statement. —**NPR**
- Amazon has begun outfitting an in-house COVID-19 testing lab to help screen its frontline warehouse and delivery workers. "Unfortunately, today we live in a world of scarcity where COVID-19 testing is heavily rationed," the company said. "Regular testing on a global scale across all industries would both help keep people safe and help get the economy back up and running." —**Fierce Biotech**

UPCOMING POP-UP TESTING AND FLU VACCINATION SITES

- November 21 & 22: Woodhaven (Woodhaven Recreation Center)
- December 05 & 06: Harper Woods (Harper Woods High School)

ACTIONS TAKEN

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

USEFUL RESOURCES

[Holiday Safety](#)

[Find a Testing Site Near You](#)

[Return to School Roadmap](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Wayne County](#)

[Michigan.gov/coronavirus](#)

[COVID-19 Workplace Toolkit](#)

[MDHHS Epidemic Orders](#)

[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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