

SITUATION REPORT	INCIDENT	OPERATIONAL PERIOD	REPORTING UNIT	FORM
External	COVID-19	START: 10/05/20 0800 END: 10/05/20 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 **164,207 (+672)** positive cases and **8,227 (+11)** deaths in Pennsylvania. As of 0700 October 5, 2020, there have been positive cases at **993 (+7)** LTC/PCH facilities, 43 jails/prisons, and 339 (0) food industry facilities. 82% 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 on October 5, 2020, there were **7,445,897 (+94,250)** cases in the U.S, and **35,319,139 (+692,910)** worldwide. There have been **209,938 (+998)** deaths in the U.S. and **1,038,958 (+9,289)** throughout the world.

Epidemiological investigations and contact tracing continue throughout the state to determine potential exposure of additional persons. The PA state lab has increased capacity to account for the testing surge. Commercial and medical system labs are on-line and testing for COVID-19.

On October 1, 2020, the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals temporarily restored Pennsylvania's pandemic restrictions on indoor and outdoor gatherings, putting on hold a judge's ruling that threw out statewide limits on crowd size. The court said the administration of Gov. Tom Wolf, may once again enforce size limits on gatherings while it appeals the lower court order.

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

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County	Cases	Deaths	County	Cases	Deaths	County	Cases	Deaths
Adams	885	26	Elk	78	2	Montour	216	5
Allegheny	12,777	364	Erie	1,656	39	Northampton	4,606	305
Armstrong	471	18	Fayette	831	7	Northumberland	1,144	69
Beaver	1,973	129	Forest	15	0	Perry	246	6
Bedford	262	6	Franklin	1,835	52	Philadelphia	32,952	1839
Berks	7,378	399	Fulton	52	2	Pike	595	22
Blair	795	19	Greene	194	1	Potter	30	0
Bradford	240	5	Huntingdon	446	6	Schuylkill	1,277	58
Bucks	9,066	617	Indiana	791	12	Snyder	396	8
Butler	1,136	25	Jefferson	120	3	Somerset	238	3
Cambria	655	7	Juniata	199	7	Sullivan	15	0
Cameron	8	0	Lackawanna	2,731	216	Susquehanna	308	28
Carbon	478	28	Lancaster	8,218	459	Tioga	95	3
Centre	3,044	11	Lawrence	562	22	Union	568	7
Chester	7,096	367	Lebanon	2,164	62	Venango	97	1
Clarion	139	3	Lehigh	5,781	355	Warren	45	1

Clearfield	345	6	Luzerne	4,209	190	Washington	1,449	30
Clinton	217	6	Lycoming	751	26	Wayne	256	11
Columbia	963	36	McKean	62	2	Westmoreland	2,461	57
Crawford	330	3	Mercer	778	21	Wyoming	80	8
Cumberland	1,978	77	Mifflin	241	2	York	5,125	171
Dauphin	3,966	182	Monroe	1,829	134			
Delaware	11,746	758	Montgomery	12,517	883			

Source: PA-NEDSS & EDRS

Bed Availability Percentages by HCC Region

	Adult ICU	Medical/ Surgical	Pediatric ICU	Pediatric	Airborne Isolation
Statewide	26.5	22.8	11.1	35.1	40.9
East Central	21.3	14.1	42.9	29.3	88.3
Southwest	25.3	29.1	12.5	32.5	38.3
Keystone	27.2	19.7	33.3	46.5	47.9
North Central	28.7	41.1	N/A	60.0	77.5
Northeast	10.3	12.3	23.1	26.0	42.3
Northern Tier	28.1	31.0	N/A	30.9	45.2
Southeast	30.6	20.6	6.8	57.8	27.6

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.

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 draft

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

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Effective June 28, 2020, the DOC will be closed on Sundays
- [The DOC will be closed on Monday, October 12, 2020, in observance of Indigenous Peoples Day \(Columbus Day\)](#)
- Coronavirus informational webpage on PA DOH website live [here](#)
- Public inquiry resource account: RA-DHCOVIDQUESTIONS@pa.gov