

State of Ohio EOC SITUATION REPORT

COVID-19 Response

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State EOC Status: **Full Activation**

This report communicates State EOC activity over the previous Operational Period.

Dissemination: Daily, 8:00 AM

Information Cutoff Time: 12:00 AM

Executive Summary

ODH-confirmed COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, and deaths continued to trend upward. According to ODH, 1,354 (+140) of the 4,782 (+332) confirmed cases are currently hospitalized. The five day average of those hospitalized being admitted to the Intensive Care Unit is 31 per day.

Six Alternate Care Site locations have been selected for state establishment (Lucas, Montgomery, Hamilton, Franklin, Mahoning, and Cuyahoga Counties), with additional potential sites across the state being evaluated for final approval. Potential locations continue to be evaluated by the Joint Engineering Assessment Teams (led by Ohio National Guard) to determine final suitability.

State EOC Workgroups continue to plan and support County EMA medical surge needs, to include increasing medical and mortuary service capacity, addressing personal protective equipment needs, quarantine, and congregate care needs.

Key Indicators

Confirmed
COVID-19 Cases

4782

Hospitalizations

1354

COVID-19
Associated Deaths

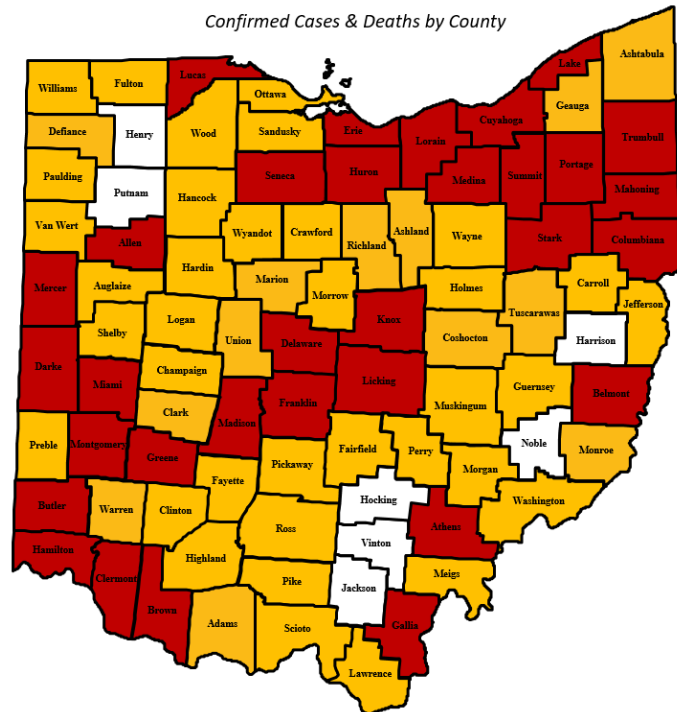
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Active
EOC Missions

273

COVID-19 numbers provided by ODH daily at 2:00 PM

Confirmed Cases & Deaths by County



State EOC Missions



Definitions

- New:** being processed and assigned to appropriate ESF
- Pending:** best ESF-assignment being determined
- Assigned:** EOP-based assignment of mission to ESF has occurred
- In-Progress:** Assigned ESF is taking action on mission
- Complete:** Support from the EOC has been provided and active support has ceased

Mission Request Type	New	Pending	Assigned	In Progress	Complete
Personal Protection Equipment		93		1	5
Request For Information			14	3	82
Sanitizing Materials			13	2	19
State EOC Liaison				5	1
Health Management Supplies	3	3	29	23	37
Alternative Care Centers	24		7	27	15
Other Missions	1		5	20	37

****Any future mission requests for PPE should reflect an outage of PPE and immediate need that cannot otherwise be addressed or cross-leveled within the county or region.****

Per ODH communication: “Due to the limited availability of PPE across the globe, the Ohio Department of Health leveraged the current CDC's Interim Updated Planning Guidance on Allocating and Targeting Pandemic Influenza Vaccine during an Influenza Pandemic to allocate scarce resources across Ohio. ODH adapted the guidance from Tier 1 by identifying the front-line occupations in the priority tier that require allocation of PPE. These occupational groups include:

- Hospitals
- Healthcare workers
- EMS/Local Fire Departments
- Local Law Enforcement
- Long Term Care Facilities

Status of Direct Federal Assistance

Request	Submitted	Status
Disaster Mortuary Response Team	April 3, 2020	FEMA approved - virtual
Federal Medical Station	March 26, 2020	FEMA unable to provide
Human Remains Pouches	March 26, 2020	FEMA approved
HHS ASPR Liaison Officer (Virtual)	March 26, 2020	FEMA approved
Ohio National Guard Title 32 orders	March 31, 2020	FEMA approved
USACE Facility Assessments	March 29, 2020	FEMA approved
ACF Design Engineer Build	April 6, 2020	Pending

State Alternate Care Site Status



State EOC Active Workgroups

Homelessness

Purpose: To develop guidance and support for local communities as they support the distinct needs of these Ohioans and the staff at congregate care facilities.

Update: Due to the potential risk of exposure to COVID-19 and increased vulnerability, we must take swift action to address growing needs and prevent over saturation of our healthcare system, specifically for; literally homeless, precariously housed, and persons residing in congregate settings. Plan to include behavioral health recommendations to Quarantine and Isolation Planning Working with the transportation group to consider special needs in transporting these patients or persons in the community. Continuing to provide trauma informed care training to responders.

Workgroup Details:

Lead Agency: Ohio Mental Health and Addiction Services

Participating Partners: Coalition of Homelessness and Housing in Ohio, Ohio Housing Finance Agency, Governor's Office, Ohio EMA, Department of Developmental Disabilities, Ohio Development Services Agency

Mass Fatality

Purpose: To assemble stakeholders within mass fatality/fatality management to develop statewide strategies and unified effort in the management of decedents.

Update: Discussed current progress on objectives. Clarification was identified as being needed on the federal request for DMORT. The mass fatality workgroup will be reconvening today to discuss progress on plan development and other planning initiatives.

Workgroup Details:

Lead Agency: Ohio Department of Health

Participating Partners: Ohio Emergency Management Agency, Ohio Department of Health, Ohio State Coroners Association, Ohio Mortuary Operational Response Team, Ohio Board of Funeral Directors and embalmers, Ohio Funeral Directors Association.

Medical Surge

Purpose: Planning for needs to address forecast Medical Surge needs. Alternate Care Site Support in support of Med Surge

Update: Continues to coordinate and implement Alternate Care Site plan to meet facility, equipment, staffing, and process needs. Currently conducting assessment of potential ACS locations. County EMAs, local health partners, and state-led Engineer Assessment Teams are coordinating site assessment and approval. Recommended sites are being submitted to the State EOC for final approval.

Workgroup Details:

Lead Agency: Ohio Department of Health

Participating Partners: Ohio National Guard, ESF-4, Ohio EMA Regional Office

WebEOC Incidents: 00 – OEMA – 20200128 - COVID -19

Personal Protective Equipment

Purpose: To determine and allocate appropriate PPE for COVID-19 responders.

Update: The group has established a list of needed PPE to acquire through donation or procurement. An initial plan for allotment of donated resources has been approved. A PPE tracking form is being developed and will be provided following its approval. A daily 15 minute sync has been established to supplement current meeting times.

Workgroup Details:

Lead Agency: Ohio Department of Health

Participating Partners: Department of Administrative Services, Emergency Management Agency, Ohio Department of Health, Emergency Medical Services, Fire Marshall, Mental Health and Addiction Services, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Aging, and Department of Medicaid.

Quarantine

Purpose: To plan and implement quarantine planning considerations.

Update: 5 locations were added to the list of potential quarantine sites. Map has been updated and can be found at: <https://arcg.is/1K9P9i> Also, the higher education/facility MOU was published and provided to all county EMA's and Public Health Departments (attached). The work group plan was updated as well. Next meeting is Tuesday April 14th at 1pm.

Workgroup Details:

Lead Agency: Ohio Emergency Management Agency

Participating Partners: DAS, ODH, MHAS, OHNG, DOE (Education), ODNR, SFM, ODOT, ODA, Ombudsman, ODRC, ODJFS, Ohio SILC, ARC, Salvation Army, Ohio VOAD, Ohio EMA Ops, ESF-5, ESF-6, ESF-7, ESF-8.

Transportation

Purpose: To discuss and implement mass transit and mobility needs.

Update: The group continues to plan against anticipated transportation needs associated with the forecast medical surge.

Workgroup Details:

Lead Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Participating Partners: ESF-6 & ESF-4

State EOC Actions by Emergency Support Function

1 | Transportation

- Ohio Department of Transportation

Actions Taken:

- Met with ODH and EMS on transporting potential patients to their appointments.

Planned Actions:

- Continue to work with ODH and EMS on transporting personnel to appointments.

3 | Engineering/Public Works

- Ohio Department of Natural Resources

Actions Taken:

- Multiple ongoing missions involving Alternate Care Sites that are assigned to the Ohio National Guard and no additional new missions since our last brief.
- Participated in the Quarantine work group conference call on 4-7-20.

Planned Actions:

- On stand-by to respond to any Covid-19 needs.

- Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

Actions Taken:

- Participated in the Quarantine Workgroup.
- Remaining on standby for assisting with Joint Engineering Assessment with identified staff, supporting the Alternate Care Facilities missions.

Planned Actions:

- Continue to monitor SEOC operations and provide support as needed.

5 | Information & Planning

- Statewide Overview of County EMA Response

- Conducting Alternate Care Site assessments to support local and state-developed facilities.
- Medical surge plans are being reviewed and potential needs being assessed.
- PPE conservation, acquisition, and distribution efforts continue to take place.
- Volunteer & donation management planning to support reallocation of PPE within the community is occurring.

- State EOC Liaisons

Actions Taken:

- Continued to work with OHNG Regional Command structures, supporting coordination of Alternate Care Site identification, assessment, and establishment.

Planned Actions:

- Continuing to support County EOCs (via deployment or virtual means).

- Advanced Planner

Actions Taken:

- Continued focus on the identification and planning for events throughout the incident.

Planned Actions:

- Community Lifelines expected to be impacted:
 - Health and Medical (Supply Chain).
 - Food, Water, Shelter (Agriculture).

6 | Mass Care

- Ohio Emergency Management Agency

Actions Taken:

- Missions:
 - Most missions on the ESF-6 board are extended / long-term.
 - Muskingum County Quarantine Station mission will be ongoing until Quarantine situation is resolved.
 - Ashtabula County request for support on meal delivery is being worked through volunteer channels.
 - Stark County mission for food distribution for a local charter school was executed by Civil Air Patrol yesterday, they have been requested to support through the end of the school year. CAP will continue to support as needed.
 - Lucas County has requested support that will be challenging to fill. Attempting to source a variety of options to meet the need.
 - ODJFS continues to gather information for the data mission.
- Daily efforts:
 - Quarantine Work Group call and coordination.
 - Working missions and coordinating with partners to attempt to fill needs.
 - Follow up w/ OHNG re: incoming requests.
 - National VOAD Best-Practices call.

Planned Actions:

- Ongoing support of missions.
- Transportation Work Group call on Thursday.

7 | Logistics

- Ohio Emergency Management Agency

Actions Taken:

- Reviewed WebEOC missions and identified requests for 3200 gallons of hand sanitizer. Identified two vendors who can provide enough hand sanitizer to fill those mission requests.
- DAS completed efforts to identify source of 1,000 hospital cots/hospital beds. PO cut. Will ship in two parts. Beds will be delivered 4/9 and bed rails on 4/10.
- Processed 2 PO's for 50,000 KN95 Masks and 9,050,000 gloves. In communications with our vendor on the KN95 masks for delivery to Rickenbacker. Researching other vendors and other items on the dash board. Working with partners to get figures for the dash board.

Planned Actions:

- Enter purchase request for hand sanitizer.
- Coordinate donations.
- Continue to process purchase orders, working with our partners on purchases made throughout the day. Working with ODH warehouse on items received.

8 | Public Health

- Ohio Department of Health

Actions Taken:

- Participated in the FEMA and HHS liaison officer call yesterday.
- The receipt, stage store (RSS) Warehouse personnel participated in follow-up planning with Ohio Jobs on the relocation of RSS non-COVID assets and rolling stock to a surge warehouse for staging of items.
- Met with the mass fatality workgroup yesterday to discuss planning strategies. Decision points regarding Ohio Mortuary Operational Response Team (OMORT) operations will be presented to leadership for consideration today.
- Participated in one long term care (LTC) strike team call held yesterday: Westpark Neurology Care Center (Cleveland City/Cuyahoga Co.)
- State Licensing Boards continued meeting yesterday to discuss utilization of licensees in addition to those from the Medical Board to support potential hospital surge from COVID-19.
- Continues to monitor Statewide Hospital Resource Utilization Statistics including hospital bed availability.

Planned Actions:

- Continue to collaborate on various RFIs and planning efforts with stakeholders and ESF-8 partners to provide guidance and direct information.

- Ohio Department of Aging/State Long-Term Care Ombudsman

Actions Taken:

- The State Ombudsman facilitated a Long-Term Care Strike Team call with the Cleveland Department of Public Health, West Park Neurology nursing home, and partner agencies at the state and local levels. The local health department will lead follow-on calls to maintain awareness of the situation.
- An Area Agency on Aging initiated a request to the Governor's office for assistance in transporting supplies. ODA issued guidance to the Area Agencies on Aging to direct their requests to their county EMAs for local attention and appropriate routing.

Planned Actions:

- Participate in a Long-Term Care Strike Team call with Miami County.
- Continue calls with regional ombudsman programs to address issues and questions related to long-term care facilities and visitation restrictions.

- Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services

Actions Taken:

- Group has been linked with Brad Swartz from ECO planning office.
- Worked to encourage representatives of “state-level” organization representatives.
- Expert in the area of homelessness, we have included to support work of the group are Barbara Poppe (COHHIO), Douglass Argue, Kevin James (OhioMHAS).
- Discussed local capabilities going to govern what services local providers are able to provide related to providing appropriate socially-distanced housing.
- COVID-19 | United States Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH).
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have developed recommendations for homelessness services systems and providers about how to protect their staff, clients, and guests. Those recommendations fall into three groups: Plan, Act, and Follow-Up. www.usich.gov is a good place to start. We continue to work with public health to help engage local system in carrying out local efforts to impact homeless populations.

Planned Actions:

- Continuing to work with Development Services Agency- Lead on Homelessness for State and national Experts to ensure plan for integrating Behavioral Health and Homeless and Group settings into community planning for quarantine and isolation.
- Many local communities like Cincinnati and Columbus are developing their own homeless shelters for quarantine as they have not received support from local systems or state.

- Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities

Actions Taken:

- Assisted intermediate care facilities in establishing tele-health agreements with their Medicaid providers.
- Participated in long term care strike team call for Cuyahoga County.
- Participated in work group for quarantine planning efforts.
- Finalized contract with Battelle for N95 mask sterilization.

Planned Actions:

- Continue to work with Stakeholders to gain an understanding of the resources available and those needed to help triage residential provider supply and capacity issues.
- Continue to seek sources of personal protective equipment.

- Ohio Department of Education

Actions Taken:

- Posted additional information documents on ODE's coronavirus webpage: Early Learning and School Readiness; Educator Evaluation System; Graduation Requirements; Information on Accountability and Ohio School Report Cards; and Remote Learning Resources for parents and caregivers.

Planned Actions:

- Continuing to develop new and update existing information and policy documents for schools regarding services to students during closures.

- Ohio Emergency Medical Services

Actions Taken:

- Participated in conference call with ESF-1 (Transportation) Medicaid, Dept. of Aging, and ODJFS. The call was to discuss non-emergent medical transportation needs for transporting patients with critical needs such as dialysis, chemotherapy and radiation treatment.
- Participated in a daily conference call regarding PPE procurement and distribution.
- Sent out information from ODH and Governor DeWine for Fire and EMS providers on conservation of PPE while at their stations, not on calls and while off duty.
- Continue to provide guidance to EMS and ambulance providers on obtaining PPE.

Planned Actions:

- Participate in conference call on April 9th with transporting patients with critical needs.

11 | Agriculture

- Ohio Department of Agriculture

Actions Taken:

- Responded to requests for information from ESF-5.

Planned Actions:

- Agriculture lab work, animal disease surveillance and inspections to support commerce and ensure public health continue.

12 | Energy

- Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

Actions Taken:

- Continued daily operations - No new missions assigned.

Planned Actions:

- Monitoring forecast storm activity in the event outage response is necessary. PUCO will remain in standby mode to assist if needed.

13 | Law Enforcement

- Ohio State Highway Patrol

Actions Taken:

- Continue to provide site security for the Ohio Department of Health.
- Spot checks on commercial heavy hauler blanket overweight permits have increased to a daily average of 11,471 from 7,692 since the request was made.
- The Divisions Mobile Field Force Unit provided the Marysville Police Department a presentation on crowd control as it relates to responding to civil unrest from the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Ashtabula Post assisted with packing lunches, loading them on buses and escorting them to locations to hand out to those in need. Distributed lunches to school student by bus and pick up locations including but not limited to Carroll, Lawrence, Tuscarawas and Allen Counties.
- Bowling Green Post and SRT units will deliver packaged meals at Patrick Henry High School.

Planned Actions:

- The Lima Post will assist Allen County deliver donated hazmat suits to various hospitals EMA facilities in a multiple county area.
- Assisting Northmont High School with traffic control during meal distribution.
- Assisting Gallia County by preparing "snack packs" for the school district.
- Assist Franklin Local Schools in Muskingum County with meal preparation and delivery.

- The Ashtabula Post will assist the Ashtabula County Feed Our Vets by packaging food boxes for veterans and their families.
- Defiance post will deliver lunches for Defiance City Schools.
- Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction
 - Actions Taken:*
 - Put in a mission request for 300 COVID-19 swabs.
 - Put in a mission request on April 6th for dividers and was able to obtain the dividers needed for the institution.
 - Continues to monitor the incarcerated adult population for flu like symptoms.
 - Worked very closely with OHSP, ONG and EOC.
 - Continues to monitor staffing and ensuring we are meeting needs.
 - Planned Actions:*
 - Continue to work towards incident objectives.

14 | Recovery

- Ohio Emergency Management Agency
 - Actions Taken:*
 - Participated in the Quarantine Work Group call yesterday to discuss FEMA eligibility for non-congregate sheltering.
 - Participated on a call with FEMA RV regarding the available USDA Food Programs.
 - Planned Actions:*
 - Provide information regarding OBM disaster cost tracking versus the FEMA PA Program.
 - Begin working with the ONG regarding the Alternate Care Sites and will participate on the County EMA Directors call.

15 | Public Affairs

- Actions Taken:*
 - A new page was unveiled on the event website: [www.coronavirus.ohio.gov/business help](http://www.coronavirus.ohio.gov/business-help). An online form and a place to post minutes of the Dispute Resolution website were added as well.
 - PPE guidance for first responders was posted to the website and sent out to firefighters and EMS providers.
 - Guidance/checklists/graphics were developed or updated on the following topics: early education, SNAP, and #InThisTiogether.
 - Website:
 - Myth v. Fact.

- Update community/faith based.
- Update transmission based guidance.
- Patient experience explainer.
- Social Media:
 - National Guard information.
- Campaign:
 - Approved final video spot.

Planned Actions:

- Work continues on a patient experience infographic; a myths document is being developed.
- Patient experience infographic.
- Medicaid changes.
- Modeling explainer.

Other Partners

- Ohio Homeland Security

Actions Taken:

- EPCS
 - Currently there are 9,594 Active EPCS Credentials. Between 4/6 and 4/7, 1,174 credentials were issued.
- OP3
 - Has a total of 1,905 members representing a total of 1,513 businesses.
 - A representative from Rite-Aid reached out to see how some of their locations could offer mobile COVID-19 testing. OP3 Representative spoke with ODH to confirm guidance to the Rite-Aid rep.
 - An OP3 Representative confirmed with the Walmart representative that they are finalizing plans to offer mobile COVID-19 testing in the Toledo area soon.
 - An ODH representative asked for OP3 assistance to help identify “what support services may be available to individuals that begin working in hospitals and care facilities due to medical surge. We would like to explore how we could provide grocery pick-up or other shopping/delivery services to healthcare providers that may need extended hours or more flexibility in getting the food and household items they need while working away from home or working long hours.” OP3 hopes to be able to provide options this week. The request may be similar to that of the pharmacy request from last week.

Planned Actions:

- Kentucky has identified illegal activities involving fraudulent COVID-19 tests.
 - OHS Cyber is working on a product in order to: (1) Identify the means through which the public should be notified of testing locations; (2) determine if this poses a threat to Ohioans.
- Ohio National Guard

Actions Taken:

- Worked with multiple ESF groups on PPE donated items and working future logistics to start clearing WebEOC missions.
- Worked with those willing to donate outside of local EMA locations and (4) local companies, totaling over 100.

Planned Actions:

- Continue working with those wanting/willing to donate. Will follow-up with those who left messages and coordinate logistics getting the PPE down to the armory.

County EOCs Reporting Adjusting EOC Status for Response

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|----------------|----------------|
| 1. Allen | 40. Logan |
| 2. Ashland | 41. Lorain |
| 3. Ashtabula | 42. Lucas |
| 4. Athens | 43. Madison |
| 5. Auglaize | 44. Mahoning |
| 6. Brown | 45. Marion |
| 7. Butler | 46. Medina |
| 8. Carroll | 47. Meigs |
| 9. Champaign | 48. Mercer |
| 10. Clark | 49. Miami |
| 11. Clermont | 50. Montgomery |
| 12. Clinton | 51. Morgan |
| 13. Columbiana | 52. Morrow |
| 14. Coshocton | 53. Muskingum |
| 15. Crawford | 54. Noble |
| 16. Cuyahoga | 55. Ottawa |
| 17. Darke | 56. Paulding |
| 18. Defiance | 57. Perry |
| 19. Delaware | 58. Pickaway |
| 20. Erie | 59. Pike |
| 21. Fairfield | 60. Portage |
| 22. Fayette | 61. Putnam |
| 23. Franklin | 62. Richland |
| 24. Fulton | 63. Ross |
| 25. Gallia | 64. Sandusky |
| 26. Geauga | 65. Scioto |
| 27. Greene | 66. Shelby |
| 28. Hancock | 67. Stark |
| 29. Hamilton | 68. Summit |
| 30. Hardin | 69. Trumbull |
| 31. Harrison | 70. Tuscarawas |
| 32. Henry | 71. Union |
| 33. Highland | 72. Van Wert |
| 34. Hocking | 73. Warren |
| 35. Huron | 74. Washington |
| 36. Knox | 75. Williams |
| 37. Lake | 76. Wood |
| 38. Lawrence | 77. Wyandot |
| 39. Licking | 78. Wayne |



Counties Reporting Declared State of Emergencies

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|----------------|----------------|
| 1. Ashtabula | 39. Mahoning |
| 2. Athens | 40. Marion |
| 3. Brown | 41. Medina |
| 4. Butler | 42. Meigs |
| 5. Carroll | 43. Miami |
| 6. Champaign | 44. Monroe |
| 7. Clark | 45. Montgomery |
| 8. Clermont | 46. Morgan |
| 9. Clinton | 47. Morrow |
| 10. Coshocton | 48. Muskingum |
| 11. Columbiana | 49. Noble |
| 12. Crawford | 50. Ottawa |
| 13. Cuyahoga | 51. Paulding |
| 14. Defiance | 52. Perry |
| 15. Delaware | 53. Pickaway |
| 16. Erie | 54. Pike |
| 17. Fairfield | 55. Portage |
| 18. Franklin | 56. Ross |
| 19. Fulton | 57. Sandusky |
| 20. Gallia | 58. Scioto |
| 21. Geauga | 59. Seneca |
| 22. Greene | 60. Shelby |
| 23. Guernsey | 61. Stark |
| 24. Hamilton | 62. Summit |
| 25. Hancock | 63. Trumbull |
| 26. Hardin | 64. Tuscarawas |
| 27. Harrison | 65. Union |
| 28. Hocking | 66. Van Wert |
| 29. Highland | 67. Vinton |
| 30. Jackson | 68. Washington |
| 31. Knox | 69. Wayne |
| 32. Lake | 70. Williams |
| 33. Lawrence | 71. Wood |
| 34. Licking | 72. Wyandot |
| 35. Logan | |
| 36. Lorain | |
| 37. Lucas | |
| 38. Madison | |



State EOC Objectives

1. Coordinate the State's response to limit spread of COVID-19; and maintain medical care.
2. Provide timely, clear, and consistent messaging to the public, stakeholders and media on the status of COVID-19 and actions the public can take to keep themselves safe.
3. Determine how state agencies will continue delivery of essential services to Ohioans while following COVID-19 public health guidelines.
4. Identify supply bottlenecks that threaten community lifelines and tools the state can provide to improve the supply situation.
5. Determine what emergency authorities and programs are now available through the National Emergency and Public Health Emergency Declarations
6. Purchase 1,00,000 sets of PPE weekly until the surge occurs

Ohio COVID-19 Pandemic (DR-4507)

- Declared on March 31, 2020. Incident Period: January 20, 2020 and continuing
- Public Assistance (Assistance to State, Local, Tribal and Territorial governments and certain private-non-profit organizations for emergency work and the repair or replacement of disaster-damaged facilities) has been designated for all 88 counties.
- [FEMA DR-4507 Site](#)

State EOC Administrative Information

EOC Hours of Operation: Full Activation: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Daily

Requesting State EOC Support: Please call the Ohio EMA Watch Office

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Real-time Awareness Products: <https://mobile-resources-oema.hub.arcgis.com/>

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State EOC Organization Chart (COVID-19-specific)

