

SITUATION REPORT	INCIDENT	OPERATIONAL PERIOD	REPORTING UNIT	FORM
External	COVID-19	START: 03/30/20 0800 END: 03/30/20 2000	PADOH	ICS 209 - Short

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CURRENT SITUATION

The World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic on March 11, 2020.

PADOH continues coordination efforts with FEMA, PEMA, and other state agencies through the Department Operations Center (DOC) to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19.

Currently, there are 4,087 positive cases and 48 deaths in Pennsylvania.

As of 1800 on March 30, 2020, there were 160,020 cases in the U.S., and 777,286 worldwide. There have been 2,953 deaths in the U.S. and 37,140 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.

Governor Wolf ordered statewide school closings beginning March 16, 2020. On March 19th, Governor Wolf ordered all non-life sustaining business to close. As of March 30, 2020, Governor Wolf expanded stay-at-home orders for the following 26 counties: Allegheny, Beaver, Berks, Bucks, Butler, Carbon, Centre, Chester, Cumberland, Dauphin, Delaware, Erie, Lackawanna, Lancaster, Lehigh, Luzerne, Monroe, Montgomery, Northampton, Philadelphia, Pike, Schuylkill, Washington, Wayne, Westmoreland, and York.

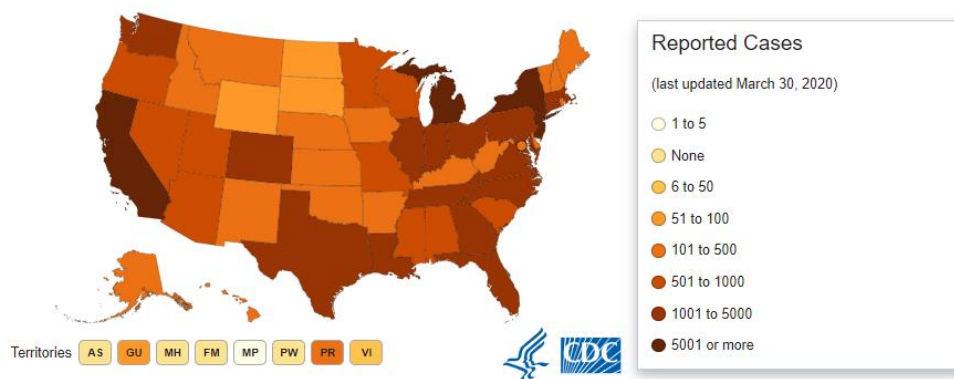
On March 25, 2020, PA Legislature passed \$50 million in funding to help aid the health care system in providing more medical equipment and supplies and to meet urgent needs of patients and staff.

On March 28, 2020, the Wolf administration received USDA approval for COVID-19 Disaster Food Distribution.

* Data sources: WHO, CDC, ECDC, NHC and DXY and local media reports

COVID-19 Cases in the U.S.

[Cases in U.S.](#) [Situation Summary](#)



ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- DOH State Lab is currently testing specimens for SARS-CoV-2
- Delaware and Montgomery County Medical Reserve Corps activated
- Participated in joint planning meetings with PEMA on public health missions
- Delivery of resources ongoing
- DOH and PEMA established Operational Synch Matrix process
- BOL testing – no backlog
- Medical surge planning conducted, and CSC guidance released
- DCED portal for critical medical supply procurement went live
- [Planning for Alternate Care Sites ongoing](#)

CHALLENGES

- National guidance is evolving. Keep partners informed as it changes
- Assessing supply chain issues
- Addressing PPE issues

PLANNED ACTIVITIES (NEXT 24 – 72 HOURS)

- Continue development of COVID-19 Response & Mitigation Plan
- Develop mitigation guidelines for schools and other targeted groups
- Conduct daily executive briefings
- Continue/Enhance Joint Information Center in coordination with agency partners
- Coordinate GIS Data and layers of information for dashboard, in conjunction with PEMA
- Release new LTC guidance for respiratory outbreak reporting
- [Healthcare Coordination calls held weekly on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays](#)
- 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
- Continue development of media campaign to improve general public awareness
- Developing KC Just-In-Time Training Plan
- Keep KC Incident updated

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Coronavirus informational webpage on PA DOH website live [here](#)
- Public inquiry resource account: RA-DHCOVIDQUESTIONS@pa.gov