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COVID-19 Update: Increase in Positive Cases, 2-1-1

(COLUMBUS, Ohio)—Ohio Governor Mike DeWine today provided the following updates on Ohio's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

INCREASE IN POSITIVE CASES - HAMILTON COUNTY REGION

Governor DeWine invited President and CEO of UC Health Richard P. Lofgren, MD, MPH, FACP to give an update on the status of COVID-19 in Hamilton County and the surrounding areas.

The effective reproductive ratio, also known as R naught, measures how many people will be infected by a sick individual. The R naught had reached 2.4 in that region in April. In recent weeks, the R naught had declined to below one. However, in the last 10 days, the R naught has doubled over the last 10 days in the Cincinnati region.

Dr. Lofgren explained that the increase in cases is not only due to the tests being performed, but the increase shows there is a greater presence of the COVID-19 in the area, and it is spreading in the community. He said it serves as a reminder about the importance of wearing a mask in public, washing your hands, sanitizing frequently touched surfaces, and keeping social distance.

OHIO 2-1-1

Governor DeWine announced today that the Ohio Department of Health will continue funding for the valuable 2-1-1 service as Ohio enters into the next phase of the COVID-19 pandemic.

2-1-1 is a phone service that connects thousands of Ohioans to local non-profit and government services for healthcare, food and meals, housing, transportation, mental health, and legal services.

At the beginning of the year, the service was available in 51 of Ohio's 88 counties. When the pandemic began, Ohio EMA asked Ohio AIRS, the non-profit that governs Ohio 2-1-1, to provide service to the remaining 37 counties in Ohio, which happened in March.

"Often, people in need require help getting connected to services, and we know that the need has grown remarkably during this unprecedented time," said Governor DeWine. "The 2-1-1 service is particularly important for those most vulnerable in our state who have been hit by COVID-19 the hardest."

Ohioans can also dial 877-721-8476 to get connected to 2-1-1.

CURRENT OHIO DATA:

There are 47,651 confirmed and probable cases of COVID-19 in Ohio and 2,772 confirmed and probable COVID-19 deaths. A total of 7,502 people have been hospitalized, including 1,897 admissions to intensive care units. In-depth data can be accessed by visiting coronavirus.ohio.gov.

Ohio is offering free COVID-19 testing for all residents at pop-up testing sites across Ohio. Pop-up testing locations for June 29 - July 2 are listed below.

Video of today's full update, including versions with foreign language translation, can be viewed on the [Ohio Channel's YouTube page](#).

For more information on Ohio's response to COVID-19, visit coronavirus.ohio.gov or call 1-833-4-ASK-ODH.

Pop-Up Testing Sites

WANT TO GET TESTED FOR COVID-19?
ANYONE CAN GET A NO-COST TEST AT THESE LOCATIONS WEEK OF JUNE 29 - JULY 2

Date	Location	Address	Hours
JUNE 29	Canton	My Community Health Center 1400 Sherman Road SE Canton, Ohio 44707	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
	Cincinnati	Mount Airy 2730 Colerain Ave. Cincinnati, Ohio 45229	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
	Cincinnati	O'Reilly Auto Parts 2280 Waycross Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45240	TBD a.m. - TBD p.m.
JUNE 29	Lisbon	Lisbon Community Health Center 7880 Lincoln Pl. Lisbon, Ohio 44432	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
JUNE 30	Bowling Green	Wood County Community Health Center 1840 E. Gypsy Lane Rd. Bowling Green, Ohio 43402	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
	Cincinnati	Mount Airy 2730 Colerain Ave. Cincinnati, Ohio 45229	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
JUNE 30	Cincinnati	Word of Deliverance Ministries 693 Fresno Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45240	1:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
JULY 1	Cincinnati	Mount Airy 2730 Colerain Ave. Cincinnati, Ohio 45229	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
	Cincinnati	Forest Chapel United Methodist Church 660 West Sharon Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45240	TBD a.m. - TBD p.m.
JULY 2	Cincinnati	Mount Airy 2730 Colerain Ave. Cincinnati, Ohio 45229	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
	Cincinnati	Walmart 1143 Smiley Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45240	TBD a.m. - TBD p.m.
JULY 2	Circleville	Pickaway County Public Health Department 110 Island Road Circleville, Ohio 43113	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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