McLean County Health Department COVID-19 Update
May 15th, 2020

Event Status

Summary of event: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/summary.html

Illinois: https://www.dph.illinois.gov/covid19

- Total Cases: 87,937 (as of 5/14/2020)
- Total deaths: 3,928 (as of 5/14/2020)

McLean County: https://health.mcleancountyil.gov/708/CORONAVIRUS-COVID-19

- MCHD is monitoring cases of COVID-19 on populations by gender and race/ethnicity.
    - Gender: Female – 60% (82); Male – 39% (54)
    - Race: White – 58.8% (80); Black – 31.6% (43); Other—4.4% (6)
    - Ethnicity: Non-Hispanic – 91.9% (125); Hispanic – 6.6% (9)
- 74% (101) of the confirmed cases have recovered.

- Confirmed Cases – 136 (as of 5/14/2020)
- Deaths – 4 (as of 5/14/2020)

*All data is provisional and will change.

McLean County Health Department (MCHD) Activities

- MCHD is working with community partners (hospitals, higher education, FQHC) to plan for community-based testing efforts.
- MCHD is educating McLean County residents through social media and the MCHD website regarding preparations for maintaining social distance and non-pharmaceutical interventions while the state prepares to re-open through the phase approach outlined in 'Restore Illinois'.
- MCHD is communicating with local elected officials, community leaders, and regional Health Department Administrators to evaluate the county's potential participation in 'Heart of IL' plan to re-open through a phase approach in a sub-region of the 'Restore Illinois' plan.
- MCHD has been conducting activities to ensure that public messaging is appropriate for all McLean County populations, including:
    - Providing a digital communication package to community leaders
    - Conducting surveys through community leaders
    - Conducting a focus group to assess public messages
- MCHD Environmental Health has been addressing complaints regarding violation of the governor's executive orders.
- MCHD is providing personal protective equipment (masks; gloves; gowns; face shields) and hand sanitizer to identified community partners.

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- MCHD is still open with some service modifications. Clients are asked to reschedule appointments for services if sick.
    - All clients are asked to wear a face covering while seeking services.
- Communicable Disease staff are tracking positive COVID-19 cases and investigating close contacts to determine need for isolation (COVID-19 positive) or quarantine (suspected to have been exposed to someone who is COVID-19 positive).
- Communicable Disease staff are taking steps to increase contact tracing capabilities in preparation for increased cases during 'Restore Illinois'.
- MCHD is planning for the use of alternate housing and alternate care facilities.
- MCHD is coordinating response activities through the McLean County Emergency Operations Center.
- MCHD is seeking volunteers for the MCHD Medical Reserve Corps. https://health.mcleancountyil.gov/273/Medical-Reserve-Corps
- MCHD is promoting key messages to the public to practice non-pharmaceutical interventions, to only access medical services if experiencing medical emergencies and to follow current Executive Orders.
- MCHD is promoting event information and guidance to McLean County residents through website/social media
    - MCHD website: https://health.mcleancountyil.gov/
    - MCHD Facebook
    - MCHD Twitter
- MCHD maintains communication with McLean County community partners through the following resources:
    - Agencies/organizations seeking guidance: 309-846-1071
    - Media: 309-888-5448
    - Public:
        - PATH/ 2-1-1
        - Illinois Department of Public Health COVID-19 Hotline
            - 800-889-3931 or email DPH.SICK@ILLINOIS.GOV

Expectations for the Community

- All residents who fit testing criteria should seek testing at the Community-Based Testing Site located at the Interstate Center (1106 Interstate Drive, Bloomington).
    - Testing Criteria has changed to include the following
        - Symptomatic - Have COVID-19 symptoms (cough, shortness of breath, fever, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain)
        - Have a risk factor, such as contact with someone confirmed to have COVID-19 or a compromised immune system or a serious chronic medical condition
        - Essential Personnel (with or without symptoms)
            - Medical Personnel
            - Work in correctional facilities, such as jails or prisons

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- First Responders
- Support critical infrastructure, such as workers in grocery stores, pharmacies, restaurants, gas stations, public utilities, factories, childcare and sanitation
  - Any resident with symptoms
    - Must be able to follow directions and to complete the self-swab on their own.
    - Minors must be accompanied by an adult.
  - The testing site is open 7 days per week from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. (subject to change)
- Report violations of the governor's executive orders to McLean County law enforcement and the McLean County Health Department environmental health program.
- Assume COVID-19 is in all communities and take the necessary precautions to protect yourself.
- Observe the governor's executive orders and only leave your home if necessary.
- Older people and people with severe chronic conditions should take special precautions because they are at higher risk of developing serious COVID-19 illness.
- Practice non-pharmaceutical interventions recommended by the CDC, including:
  - Practice social distancing. Maintain at least 6 feet from others at all times.
  - Avoid sick people. Stay home when you are sick.
  - Wash hands (soap and water or use hand sanitizer that is at least 60% alcohol)
  - Cover cough and sneezes
  - Disinfect surfaces regularly
  - Wear face covering in public when social distancing (at least 6 feet from other people) cannot be maintained.
    - Instructions to make face covering can be found at https://health.mcleancountyil.gov/739/COVID-19-DIY-Face-Mask

COVID-19 Questions

Call: 1-800-889-3931 or Email: DPH.SICK@ILLINOIS.GOV

Additional Resources

McLean County Health Department website/social media: https://health.mcleancountyil.gov/

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html