May 13, 2020

Dear Logan County Citizens:
Here are the latest updates on COVID-19 and Logan County Health District’s response.

**Situation Update**

**Nursing Update:** As of May 13, 2020, Logan County Health District has confirmed 20 cases plus 7 probable cases of COVID-19. Of those 27, twenty have recovered. **Logan County has not had a new positive case since May 8th!** As testing becomes more available and as business reopen, it is expected that the number of positive cases will increase. The Logan County Health District has formed strike teams with Mary Rutan Hospital, Community Health and Wellness Partners, and Green Hills to test small community clusters of illness that may arise in congregate settings. Federal funding is being provided to hire contact tracers at the local level.

**PPE Update:** Up until now, Logan County Health District (LCHD) has been supplying PPE needs to Long Term Care Facilities, Health Care Practices, Dentists, Optometrists & Ophthalmologists. This week LCHD is packing and preparing small “Push Packs” of PPE’s for all of the above facilities which will deplete all medical community supplies at LCHD.

EMA has been supplying Law Enforcement and fire/EMS with PPE’s. EMA will now supply PPE to the previous mentioned practices as well. **Any requests for PPE will now be organized by the EMA.** If you have any PPE donations, they can be taken to MRH Logan View location at 110 Dowell Avenue (not the Pediatric office) in Bellefontaine between the hours of 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. We ask that items are bagged or boxed for easy drop-off.

Anyone who wants to donate **handmade cloth masks** for Logan County citizens who are not able to obtain one can **drop them at the Health District.**

**Environmental Update:** The Environmental Health Division staff have been very busy trying to keep up with reviewing submitted COVID-19 compliance business plans. With the Governor now reopening different business sectors every few days, the pace has quickened even more. Submitting plans directly to the health district was never required for reopening, but the Health District feels such a review will be helpful. Until all businesses are reopened, those that are closed continue to make up the bulk of the telephone and email inquiries asking for interpretations as to why they can't also be open. Complaints on observations of the lack of facial coverings and social distancing are also being received every day.

**Dr. Hoddinott and CDC recommends** wearing cloth face coverings in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain (e.g., grocery stores and pharmacies), **especially in areas of significant community-based transmission.** **Cover your face & give me space!**

**Other News**

Community Resources

State Updates
To learn more about the latest information from the state visit [www.coronavirus.ohio.gov](http://www.coronavirus.ohio.gov).

Fast Fact: Gloves for the general public are only needed for cleaning or caring for the sick. They are not recommended to go shopping, but instead use hand sanitizer when needed.

**Questions** For questions, contact Logan County Health District at 937-592-9040 Option 1 or email us at: LCHD@loganhealth.org