

Charles County COVID-19

Incident Action Plan



Operational Period

From To
5/12/20 5/14/20
8:00 8:00



INCIDENT OBJECTIVES (ICS 202)

1. Incident Name Charles County COVID-19	2. Operational Period	Date From: 5/12/20 Date To: 5/14/20 Time From: 8:00 Time To: 8:00	
3. Objectives			
A. Maximize the safety and overall health and well-being, including mental health of the residents, county employees, and responders, throughout this incident. Minimize the effects resulting from this incident on all personnel.			
B. Conduct surveillance of COVID-19 cases in collaboration with the health department, hospital, physicians, and other health care providers.			
C. Maintain timely, accurate and uniform communications with residents, employees and first responders as well as partners in the tri-County and National Capital Region and the state of Maryland.			
D. Prepare for and handle the human reaction crisis contingencies in long terms.			
E. Prepare for long term order maintenance.			
F. Prepare for and sustain our communities' hierarchy of needs throughout this incident.			
G. Ensure all practical steps to "Slow the Spread" of transmission of COVID-19.			
H. Determine trigger points for Continuity of Operations for all agencies, including government, public safety, schools, hospital, and other critical infrastructure systems.			
I. Prepare for the New Normal.			
4. Operational Period Command Emphasis			
Please complete the ICS 234 by Friday, 05/15/2020 by 09:00 hours. Continue to add daily to your After Action lists, and the tinyurl!!!			
General Situational Awareness			
"Complacency Kills! Don't become a casualty to complacent behaviors. Your family needs you."			
5. Site Safety Plan Required? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Approved Site Safety Plan(s) Located at:			
6. Attachments (check if attached)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICS 203 <input type="checkbox"/> ICS 207 <input type="checkbox"/> ICS 204 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICS 208 <input type="checkbox"/> ICS 205 <input type="checkbox"/> Map/Chart <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICS 205A <input type="checkbox"/> Weather <input type="checkbox"/> ICS 206 <input type="checkbox"/> Forecast/Tides/Currents	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	ICS 214 _____ _____ _____ _____	
7. Prepared by: Name: <u>Joe Hoffmaster</u> Position/Title: <u>PSC</u> Signature: _____			
8. Approved by Incident Commander: Name: <u>Michelle Lilly</u> Signature: _____			
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ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT LIST (ICS 203)

1. Incident Name		2. Operational Period	
Charles County COVID-19		Date From: 5/12/20 Date to: 5/14/20 Time From: 8:00 Time to: 8:00	
3. Incident Commander and Staff		7. Operations Section	
UC	Dr. Howard Haft	Chief	
UC	Michelle Lilly	Deputy	
Deputy	Melanie Gardiner		
Deputy	Tony Rose		
Safety Officer	John Filer	a. Branch I	Public Health
Public Information Office	Jennifer Harris Donna Fuqua Linda Warner	Branch Director	Ranston Harvey
Intell Officer	Jason Stoddard	Deputy	Mary Lilly
4. Agency Representative		DSS	
		Liaison Officer	Tom Brown Robbie Jones
Agency	Name	Hospital	Bill Grimes John Filer
Intell officer Deputy	Mike Meiser	Nursing Homes	Tiffany Brown
Lifestyles	Sandy Washington	Health Care Providers	Melanie Gardiner
Public Schools	Mike Meiser	Rehab Centers	Eddie Kratzer
		Assisted Living	Rosalinda Horton
		Funeral Services	Catarina Patterson
		b. Branch II	Public Safety
		Branch Director	Mark Kaufmann Jr.
		Deputy	Scott Herbert D J Mills
		DES EMS	Steve Finch
		Vol EMS	Andrew Spalding Mitchell Lewis
		Vol Fire	Scott Herbert
		Logistics	Scott Herbert
5. Planning Section		c. Branch III	Law Enforcement
Chief	Joe Hoffmaster	Branch Director, CCSO	Chris Schmidt
Deputy	Bill Smith	Deputy, CCSO	Cari Baker
Resource Unit		La Plata Police	Chris Becker
Situation Unit	Jen Adams	MD State Police	Thomas Quade
Documentation Unit	Bill Smith	DNR	Catherine Meddelin
Demobilization Unit		MdTA	Brian Lawrence
Human Resources			
Technical Specialists	(name / specialty)	d. Branch IV	Infrastructure
		Branch Director	
		Deputy	
		SMECO	Jennifer Raley
		Grocery	
6. Logistics Section		Propane	
Chief	Nick Ellis	Natural Gas	
Deputy	need to fill		
Support Branch			
Donations	Ed Tucker		
Supply Unit			
Facilities Unit	Nick Ellis	10. Finance Section	
Ground Support Unit		Chief	Jennifer Adams
Service Branch		Deputy	
Service Branch Dir.		Time Unit	
Communications Unit	Jeffrey Clements	Procurement Unit	
Medical Unit		Comp/Claims Unit	
Security Unit		Cost Unit	
Food Unit			
9. Prepared by: Name: Joe Hoffmaster		Position/Title: PSC Signature	
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Deputy	Melanie Gardiner		
Deputy	Tony Rose		
Safety Officer	John Filer	a. Branch V	Governance
Public Information Officer	Jennifer Harris Donna Fuqua Linda Warner		
Intell Officer	Jason Stoddard		
4. Agency Representative		Charles County Govern.	Michele Lilly
Agency	Name	Town of LaPlata	Chris Becker
Intell officer Deputy	Mike Meiser	Town of Indian Head	Ryan Hicks
Lifestyles	Sandy Washington		
CC Public Schools	Michael Meiser		
		b. Branch VI	Business
		Branch Director	Darre'll Brown
		Deputy	Marcia Keeth
		Economic Development	Darre'll Brown
		Chamber of Commerce	Bonnie Grady
5. Planning Section		c. Group	Peer Support
Chief	Joe Hoffmaster	Group Supervisor	Courtney Shannon
Deputy	Bill Smith	Deputy	Pam Gantt
Resource Unit			Debbie Gianinni
Situation Unit	Jen Adams		
Documentation Unit	Bill Smith		
Demobilization Unit			
Human Resources			
Technical Specialists	(name / specialty)	d. Branch VIII	
		Branch Director	
		Deputy	
6. Logistics Section			
Chief	Nick Ellis		
Deputy	need to fill	e. Branch IX	
Support Branch			
Donations	Ed Tucker		
Supply Unit			
Facilities Unit	Nick Ellis	10. Finance Section	
Ground Support Unit		Chief	Jen Adams
Service Branch		Deputy	need to fill
Service Branch Dir.		Time Unit	
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COMMUNICATIONS LIST (ICS 205A)

1. Incident Name Charles County COVID-19		2. Operational Period:		Date From: 5/12/20	Date to: 5/14/2020
				Time From: 8:00	Time to: 8:00
3. Basic Local Communications Information:					
Name - Last	Name-First	Representing	Email	Phone	
Adams	Jennifer	DES FSC	AdamsJen@Charlescountymd.gov		
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Becker	Chris	La Plata Police	cbecker@townoflaplata.org		
Brown	Darrell	Business Director Econ Dev	Brownd@charlescountymd.gov		
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Lowry	Susan	MDH	suzan.lowry@maryland.gov		
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O'Malley Simpson	Katie	CCBOE PIO	Komalley@ccboe.com		
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Seaman	Kevin	CCEMS	seamank@chalescountymd.gov		
Smith	Bill	CCVFA/CCAEMS	Smithb@ccvfireems.org		
Spalding	Andrew	Volunteer EMS Chief	chiefems@ccvfireems.org		
6. Prepared by: Name: _____ Joe Hoffmaster _____ Title: _____ PSC _____ Signature _____					
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3. Basic Local Communications Information:							
Name - Last	Name-First	Representing	Email	Phone			
Stoddard	Jason	Intell	jestoddard@ccboe.com				
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Cherry	Lori	LOGS- Deputy	CherryL@charlescountymd.gov				
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Wolf	Theresa	PH-DSS	Therese.Wolf@maryland.gov				
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Jones	Robbie	HD-Liaison	JonesRob@Charlescountymd.gov				
Hicks	Ryan	Indian Head	ryan@townofindianhead.org				
Lewis	Mitchell	Volunteer EMS Chief, Assistant	mlewis@WaldorfVFD.com				
Mott	Robert (Bob)	VEIP Manager Document Facil.	capt302a@gmail.com				
Rands	Ray	VEIP Manager	raymond.rands@maryland.gov				
Edge	Bill	CCSO-Safety					
Peer	Support	Peer Support Team	DESPeersupport@charlescountymd.gov				
Courtney	Shannon	Peer Support Team Leader	Shannonc@charlescountymd.gov				

SAFETY MESSAGE/PLAN (ICS 208)

1. Incident Name Charles County COVID-19	2. Operational Period	Date From: 5/12/20 Time From: 8:00	Date To: 5/14/20 Time To: 8:00
3. Safety Message/Expanded Safety Message, Safety Plan, Site Safety Plan:			
"Complacency Kills! Don't become a casualty to complacent behaviors. Your family needs you. "			
1. Total identified PUI's transported as of 5/11: 648 Total # of patients testing positive : 115			
2. PPE stockpiles remain stable with an estimated supply range of 10+ days based on current call volumes.			
3. EMSOP Special Order 2020-01 Version 4.1 has been updated to include new travel guidance from MIEMSS as well as out of County decon best practices.			
4. As this is a rapidly changing landscape, leaders should review any changes with their personnel each morning.			
5. Speical Order 2020-04 Version 1.1 was released on 05-05-2020. New guidelines for personnel at the beginning of their shift, end of their shift and at the station.			
6. Personnel who report having a fever, sore throat, cough or other respiratory related symptoms should stay at home and self-isolate until they are symptom free for a period of 72 hours.			
7. The County's Peer Support Team has been activated and will make weekly wellness checks with our County's first responders.			
8. Please remember that PPE caches are for EVERYONE. We are all in this TOGETHER so there is NO career and volunteer PPE caches.			
9. Special Order 2020-03 V2.1 was updated on 05-06-20. New guidelines added on employee return to work procedures.			
10. Collection and limited re-use of PPE is starting this week as a Contingency Plan. Procedures are outlined in Special Order 2020-05 V1.1. The primary plan of single use PPE is still in Place.			
Site Safety Plan(s) Located At: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
5. Prepared by: Name: <u>John Filer</u> Title: <u>Safety Officer</u> Signature: _____			
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Work Analysis Matrix	1. Incident Name	2. Date Prepared	3. Time Prepared
ICS-234	Charles County COVID-19		
4. Operational Period (Date and Time)			
Objective (Desired Outcome)	Strategy (How)	Tactics (Who, Where, What, When)	
Maximize the safety and overall health and well-being, including mental health of the residents, county employees, and responders, throughout this incident. Minimize the effects resulting from this incident on all personnel.	Provide COVID-19 testing for first responders.	Facilitate testing of 1st Responders (CCSO, career and vol. EMS, volunteer fire, 9-1-1 Communications) thru resources at the Health Department or Hospital when there is a suspected exposure and when employee shows symptoms.	
	Provide COVID-19 testing for the public.	Facilitate and manage testing at VEIP type sites for the public who have a doctor's note, and an appointment, for up to 200 tests per day, Tuesdays and Thursdays.	
	Provide PPE.	Provide first responders with PPE needs using a standard ordering process handled by Logistics. Form 213.	
	Ensure proper decon procedures for personnel, apparatus, equipment and facilities.	Provide a "Standard Decon" of ambulances and other responder vehicles that may have been contaminated, to protect the workforce and the public from contamination, utilizing a third party contractor 24/7 while in a State of Emergency..	
		Provide 3rd party contractor to thoroughly clean work station as needed after suspected contamination.	
	Provide mental peer support as needed. Peer support Team and CISM team will monitor Charles County employees for need for assistance.	The Peer Support Team will communicate with First Responders that are in need of counseling, by visiting stations, advising supervisors to alert employees to call or email Peer Support team.	
		The Peer support Team will monitor those essential employees that have been quarantined and those that are isolated.	
	Support the medical treatment and care for the patients.		

Maximize the safety and overall health and well-being, including mental health of the residents, county employees, and responders, throughout this incident. Minimize the effects resulting from this incident on all personnel.	Provide training and direction for handling COVID-19 response to 1st responders.	Author Special Orders that cover this specific incident.
		Produce weekly Podcast Town Hall meetings for vol EMS, vol Fire, DES, CCSO, and 9-1-1 Communications personnel.
Ensure all practical steps to "Slow the Spread" of transmission of COVID-19.		
Conduct surveillance of COVID-19 cases in collaboration with the Health Department, hospital, physicians, and other health care providers.	Monitor and address the reportable numbers per demographics to ensure the safety of all.	
Maintain timely, accurate and uniform communications with residents, employees and first responders as well as partners in the tri-County and National Capital Region and the State of Maryland.	Many messages thru one voice. Coordinate messaging.	The Public Information Officers will communicate State, and County orders and recommendations to keep all informed. Provide daily Situational Reports to the County Government, State Government, Core Planning Group, County volunteers, County employees, and County residents on web sites.

Prepare for and handle the human reaction crisis contingencies in long term.		
Prepare for long term order maintenance.		
Prepare for and sustain our communities' hierarchy of needs throughout this incident.		Monitor sheltering, feeding, and comfort needs. Provide sheltering facilities, Points of distribution for food, medications, scholastic materials to in need throughout the community. Schools will handle the individuals registered in schools.
Determine Trigger Points for Continuity of Operations for all agencies, including government, public safety, schools, hospital and other critical infrastructure systems.		
Determine Trigger Points for stepping down readiness.		
Prepare for New Norm.	Stockpile supplies	Monitor burn rates for each types of protective clothing and equipmnet used and predict the needs for any future responses of similar disaster.
		Obtain County approval for large expenditure and for storage space. Order as per approved.

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ACTIVITY LOG (ICS 214)

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EOC Operational Period Meeting Schedule

Time	<u>Meeting Schedule</u>	<u>Attendees and Mission</u>	<u>Deliverables</u>
7:30	Hospital Liaison	Attended by Hospital Liaison Officer to communicate patient count numbers, PUI's, PUI's transported by EMS	PUI's transported by EMS. Follow up information passed to Infection Control Officers.
8:00	EOC UC Objectives Meeting	Attended by Unified Command and Planning Section to adjust the objectives and voice concerns for the upcoming operational period.	Post Objectives Changes to Command and General Staff
Tu, Th only	Strategy Meeting (C&GS) modified	Attended by Unified Command and General Staff to adjust the objectives and voice concerns for the upcoming operational period.	Post Strategy Changes to Branch Directors
After 09:30	BRANCH Tactics Meeting	Attended at Branch level, Branch Directors, PSC, LSC, SOF for the upcoming operational period.	Post unfilled needs outside of Branch Level to LOGS, PSC
After 09:30	Planning Meeting	Immediately following the Tactics meeting. Attended by Command Staff to support the IAP.	Open Action Items
10:00	State EMS Conference Call	EMS Chief conferences with MD State EMS Officials to share information and discuss	
M, W, F	Coordination Briefing	Attended by all Operations personnel especially Branch Directors and DIVS.	
15:00	IAP Deliverables Brief Deliverables	Following the Tactics meeting, all deliverables need to be sent to the Planning Section.	All Branch Directors will submit daily briefs and information bulletins to DESPlanning
15:00	MEMA Conference Call	Emergency Manager conference call with State Emergency Managers to discuss State Situational Updates	
16:00	IAP and Briefs Delivered	No Meeting	
16:15	Health Dept, EOC, Hospital	Conference call to discuss situational updates	
as needed	Critical Exchange	Branch Director, Section Chief, report up the chain	Written report up the chain as necessary to follow up after critical moment is being handled.



Safety Officer's Report Charles County EOC

05-11-20

John Filer
Chief of EMS and SOD
Charles County Department of
Emergency Services

Today's Safety Message: "Complacency Kills! Don't become a casualty to complacent behaviors. Your family needs you."

Total number of PUI's transported to date: 648

Total number of patients transported by EMS testing + for COVID: 115

Total number of first responders on self-isolation: 1

Total number of first responders on quarantine: 5

Total number of first responders + for COVID-19: 9

Total number of first responders out for COVID related mental health: 0

Total number of fire stations sanitized: 6

Daily Estimated PPE Burn Rate: 20 sets/day



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Charles County DES - All Incidents



Charles County - Coronavirus PUI nCoV (CAD)



(DRAFT) Charles County EMS - HTSD



Charles County EMS - Low ALS Resource



Charles County EMS - Hospital Drop Time (30 Min)

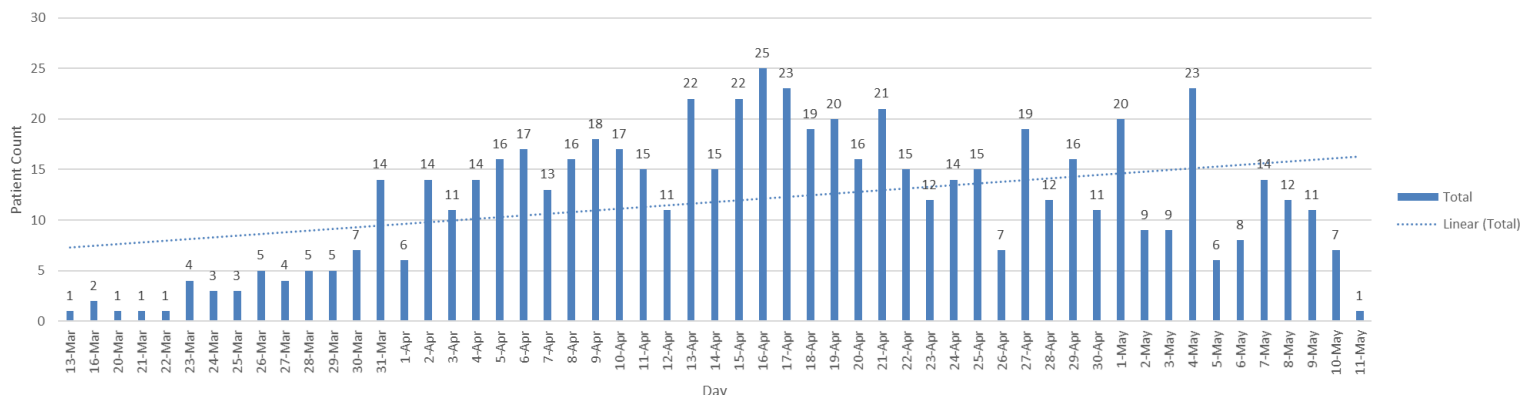


Charles County EMS - EMTALA

ePCR

Count of Incident Number

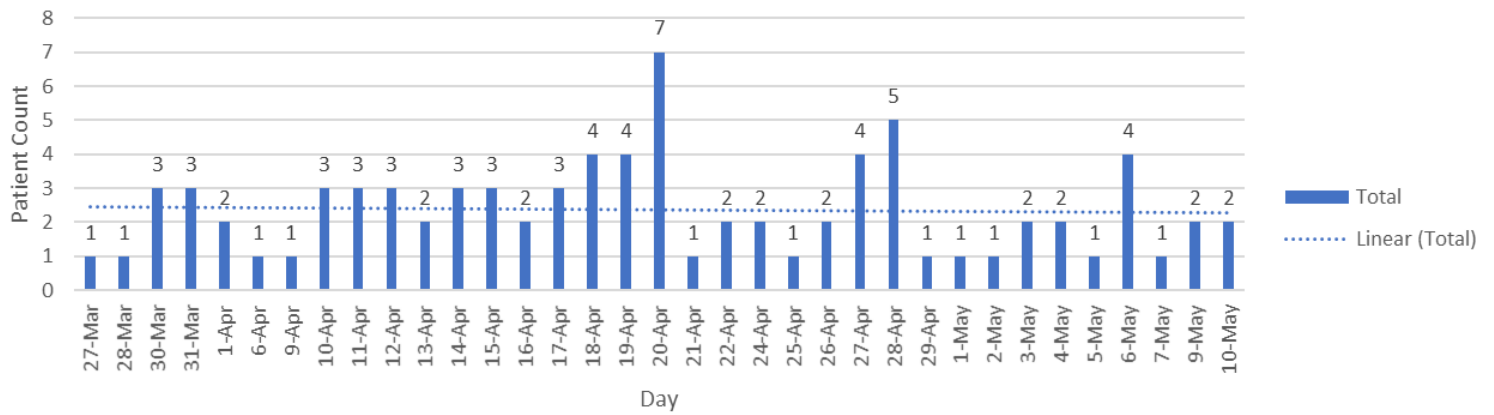
PUI Incidents - 03-13-20 thru 05-11-20 @ 1009



Sent to Queue

Count of Patient Name

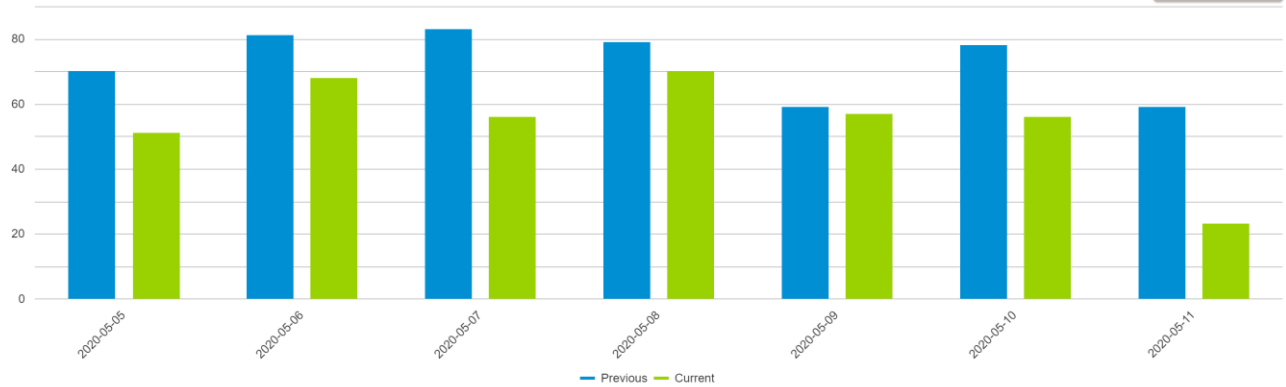
YTD COVID+ Patients Transported by EMS



Date of EMS Transport

Count of Incident Reported

Compare To: One Year





COMPLACENCY KILLS!

Don't become a casualty to
complacent behaviors. Your
family needs you.

CC DES Peer Support Services Weekly Report

May 11, 2020

Face-to-Face visits:

67 employees

2 volunteers

5 employees in communications

Phone Contacts:

51 employees

CISM:

The CISM team is working with Andrea from Sagepoint to provide services to their staff this coming week. We will be conducting a total of 6 visits over 3 days to help reach out to as many Sagepoint employees as possible.

Social Media:

Courtney and Debi are continuing to monitor social media posts and providing tips and encouragement via social media.

General Impression:

Frustration and fatigue are mounting. Employees continue to express “just over it all.” Having Marcus Paxton’s services last weekend has helped the academy class in their healing process.

Concerns:

We are continuing to monitor several employees carefully, particularly the ones who have been referred to a higher level of care. In following other agencies that have stayed ahead of us

throughout this COVID experience (meaning they started experiencing numbers before we did), concerns are arising with them as they are starting to see an incline in suicides and other mental health issues in their employees and hospital staff. We are working to be as proactive as possible in hopes we can deflect this trend we are seeing. We will be putting information out to our employees about suicide prevention and various numbers they can call. We will continue to make as many contacts as possible.



PUBLIC HEALTH BRANCH BRIEFING COVID-19 PANDEMIC RESPONSE

May 11, 2020

GENERAL REPORTING INFORMATION

INFECTIOUS DISEASE

CASE COUNT—CHARLES COUNTY

As of 5/11/2020, total case count for Charles County is 759.

- *The line list with confirmed case counts for Charles County is continuously updated as lab reports are received from MDH, hospitals, and commercial laboratories.*
- *Contact tracing efforts are continuous with a focus on healthcare workers, EMS, and police.*

CALL CENTER UPDATE

- Operation time: 0800 to 2200.
- The numbers to call remain the same: 301.609.6717 or 301.609.6777
- Volume for new system is approximately 60 call per day. *(There were 18 calls Saturday and 10 on Sunday.)*

MEDIA, SOCIAL MEDIA AND WEBSITE

- Complaints concerning mask use coming in about 1 per day.

PARTNER/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH

LTC/AL

- The Long-Term Care and Assisted Living call will be held Thursday, May 14, at 3 p.m. by CCDOH nurse liaisons.

ALL-PARTNER

- The all-partner call held will be held Thursday, May 14, at 4 p.m. by CCDOH nurse liaisons.

EPI SURVEILLANCE PROFILE FOR STATE

Case Investigation, Surveillance, and Infectious Disease Response (D, Blythe)

- 1) **Latest case counts** – total: 33,373 (131,407 negative)
- 2) **New cases:** 786
 - a) **Age distribution:**
 - i) under 18 years - 2 %
 - ii) in 19-64 age range 74%
 - iii) in 65+ age range 24%
 - b) **Geographic distribution:**
 - i) National Capital 53%
 - ii) Baltimore Metro area 41%
 - iii) Eastern Shore 3%
 - iv) Southern 2%
 - v) Western 1%
 - c) Of cases, 53% female; 47% male
 - d) Hospitalizations (-96 last 24 hours); total current 1,544; total ever 5,811
 - e) Deaths -- Total 1,573 (35 last 24 hours)
 - f) Release from isolation – 2,298

CONFIDENTIAL – (INFORMATION BELOW IS FOR CORE PLANNING GROUP ONLY)

RESOURCE DISTRIBUTION

- 1 request received and filled today
- IR thermometers will be included for distribution from CCDOH per request

VOLUNTEERS

MARYLAND MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS

- 1 new responder was accepted into MMRC today

CAREGIVER SERVICE CORPS

- PPE allotment of 200 gloves and 200 masks were picked up today, 5/11/2020 by the Charles County PPE Coordinator for this project

TESTING

VEIP TESTING SITE UPDATE

- Tested to Date: 873
- For the seventh operational period, May 12-14 appointment slots will be increased to 135 per test day.

EPIDEMIOLOGY AND SURVEILLANCE

Charles County

***Epidemiologist's Note:** All data presented in the Charles County profile is a snapshot of the COVID-19 situation at one specific time period. Please be cognizant that data may differ from numbers presented later in the day since new positive lab results are being received by the state and local health department and entered into NEDSS electronic surveillance system throughout the work day. This explains any discrepancies in the total count or denominator being used to calculate each data measure; therefore, the date and time of data extraction for each data source is provided for your reference.*

As of 5/11 at 800 am, total case count for Charles County was 759 cases.

MDH is working to get the Charles County cases from 20607 moved back into the Charles County line list and case count. They have added any new cases from 20607 to the line list, but we are still waiting for the previous 20607 cases to be moved back. After discussions with other local health department epidemiologists in the state, this has happened to several counties that share zip codes. MDH is overburdened at this time, so patience is needed as we sort out these problems.

There have been 53 confirmed deaths associated with COVID-19. This equates to 6.9% of total confirmed cases. The Charles County death rate of 6.9% is higher than the MD state average death rate of 4.7%. However, it should be noted that the majority of deaths are associated with outbreaks in skilled nursing facilities. There was 1 probable COVID-19 death. COVID-19 is listed as the cause of death, but laboratory testing has not yet confirmed.

- Average age of fatalities: 77.9 years

Age Distribution of Fatalities:

- 0-39 years: 0
- 40-69 years: 9 (16.7%)
- 70-79 years: 22 (40.7%)
- 80+ years: 23 (42.6%)
- Gender breakdown among fatalities: 71.7% Female, 28.3% Male

Racial breakdown among fatalities:

- 49.1% Non-Hispanic White
- 45.3% Non-Hispanic Black
- 1.8% Non-Hispanic Asian
- 3.8% Hispanic
- Number of negative lab results: 3674
- Positivity Rate: 17.1% (State positivity rate: 20.3%)
- Recovered and released from isolation: 177
- Partially recovered with improved symptoms: 46

- 158 or 20.8% required hospitalization: We have seen reductions in the percentage of cases needing hospitalization over the past 2 weeks. This may be due to the decline in cases in the skilled nursing facility outbreaks.
- Among confirmed cases, 436 (57.4%) Female; 323 (42.6%) Male
- 14% Healthcare Workers
- 1.8% First Responders: EMS, Fire, Law Enforcement
- 29.2% have underlying health conditions
- Age range of positive COVID-19 cases: 0-100 years

Age Distribution for Charles County cases:

- Under 18 years: 19 (2.5%)
- 18-64 years: 569 (75.0%)
- 65+ years: 171 (22.5%)

ESSENCE data for urgent care utilization at Patient First in Waldorf had a yellow alert for Saturday, May 9th and no alerts on Sunday, May 10th. The yellow alert was due to 6 “Visit of Interest” tags with the ICD code for “Contact with and exposure to other viral communicable diseases.” All 6 patients presented for a COVID-19 test. Patient volume was 40 patients on 5/9 and 44 patients on 5/10. Total patient volume has remained similar over the 2 weeks. All were discharged to home for self-care.

On 5/9, 19 patients presented with ILI or at least one COVID-19 like symptoms (48% of total patient volume). Any increases in ILI can be attributed to the drive-up testing. Diagnoses for ILI patients on Saturday included acute pansinusitis, chills without fever, encounter for screening for respiratory tuberculosis, acute pharyngitis, acute frontal sinusitis, seasonal allergi rhinitis, pneumonia, unspecified viral infection, cough, contact with and exposure to other viral communicable diseases, and encounter for screening for other viral diseases. On 5/9, there were 6 “Visit of Interest” CDC Classifier tags. They were due to COVID-19 exposure to a positive case. There was one CDC Classifier tag for Pneumonia. They completed a total of 9 COVID-19 tests in their drive-up testing site on 5/9.

On 5/10, 20 patients presented with ILI or at least one COVID-19 like symptoms (45% of total patient volume). Any increases in ILI can be attributed to the drive-up testing. Diagnoses for ILI patients on Sunday included unspecified chest pain, contact with and exposure to other viral communicable diseases, and encounter for screening for other viral diseases. On 5/10, there were 7 “Visit of Interest” CDC Classifier tags. They were due to COVID-19 exposure to a positive case. They completed a total of 18 COVID-19 tests at their drive-up testing site for 5/10.

Surveillance of EMS call data and alerts

The epidemiologist monitors the Charles County DES First Watch trigger alerts. The number of daily trigger alerts for COVID-19 cases or COVID-19 persons under investigation was 11 on 5/9 and 8 for 5/10. PUI call volume remains low.

- 5/9: 11
- 5/10: 8

Epidemiologist's Note Concerning Race breakdown: The data is now being captured in the MDH line lists of confirmed cases in REDCap. Data was accessed on 5/11 at 9:00 a.m. Please be cognizant that data may differ from numbers pulled later in the morning since new positive lab results are being received by the health department and entered into NEDSS throughout the work day. This explains any discrepancies in the total count or denominator being used to calculate each data measure.

Total: 759 cases on 5/11 at 900 am MDH line list assessed through REDCap: Data on race and ethnicity changes daily as case investigations are completed and more information on demographics is updated in the electronic reporting disease system. Additionally, when there is an influx of new cases in electronic reporting disease system, data on race and ethnicity may not be available immediately for new cases since race information is not typically captured on a lab report and must be obtained during the investigation.

Race Breakdown

- Asian: 14 (1.0%)
- Black/African American: 324 (42.7%)
- White: 189 (24.9%)
- Other or 2+ races: 44 (5.8%)
- Data not available/Declined to Answer: 194 (25.6%)

Ethnicity Breakdown

- Hispanic 36 (4.7%)
- Non-Hispanic 531 (70.0%)
- Data not available/Declined to Answer: 192 (25.3%)

Nursing Home Outbreak Data: *(Confidential: Not for public dissemination)*

- Positive resident cases in Skilled Nursing Facilities/Assisted Living Facilities: 144
- Positive staff cases in Skilled Nursing Facilities/Assisted Living Facilities: 53
- Among those 144 resident cases, 109 are in skilled nursing facilities and 35 are in assisted living facilities.
- Current residents or staff who are Persons Under Investigation (PUI) in Skilled Nursing Facilities/Assisted Living Facilities: 0
- Total currently hospitalized: 6
- Deaths: 44

Charles County Efforts to Address the Governor's Executive Order regarding testing in Skilled Nursing Facilities:

- All 4 skilled nursing facilities in Charles County received testing kits for their residents and completed resident testing by the close of business on Friday, 5/1. Most results have been received for each facility. A total of 371 residents in skilled nursing facilities were tested. 35 or 9.4% of those tests have come back positive for COVID-19. Health

department staff is looking at previous line lists to determine which of those cases are previously positive cases and which are new positives for the facilities.

- Testing for staff members has been put on hold. MDH released information on 5/7 to the skilled nursing facilities regarding the Governor's Order to test all residents and staff of nursing homes. Their protocol will involve the National Guard teams coming in to do all of the testing at once. We are waiting for information on whether SNF residents will be retested using this National Guard protocol. On the Friday call with Dr Haft, skilled nursing facilities conveyed their readiness to test staff now while they have the ability to cover all patients even with possible staff shortages. Dr Haft was going to ask MDH again if staff testing can occur this week.

Epidemiologist Note: Please use caution when drawing any conclusions regarding race or ethnicity. There is still a percentage where race data is not available, and information regarding this missing population cannot be assumed. Additionally, it should be noted that the greatest number of cases (59.2%) are the Waldorf zip codes of 20601, 20602, and 20603. Over half of the county population lives in those zip codes. Additionally, those zip codes have a very diverse population with minority populations comprising the majority of the zip code level population and with African Americans being the largest racial group in those zip codes.

Zip Code level data was also analyzed using the MDH line lists of confirmed cases in REDCap. Data was accessed on 5/6 at 9:00 am.

(Zip code level data with counts less than 7 cases cannot be shared publicly and must remain confidential.)

Confirmed cases by zip code:

Zip code:	5/6	5/8	5/11
20601	102	112	122
20602	117	128	137
20603	173	186	195
20604	2	2	2
20611	4	4	4
20613	11	16	17
20616	23	25	25
20622	3	3	4
20632	2	2	2
20637	18	18	20
20640	28	28	30
20645	1	1	1
20646	93	94	96
20658	3	3	3
20662	9	9	9
20664	8	8	8

20675	7	7	7
20677	9	9	9
20693	3	3	3
20695	44	46	47

Epidemiologist's Note: Here are the COVID-19 case rates per 1000 residents by zip code. Most zip codes saw an increase from 5/6 to 5/8; however, most were small increases.

COVID-19 Positive Case rate per 1,000 residents as of May 11, 2020:

Case rates are only calculated for zip codes with 5 or more confirmed COVID-19 Cases.

COVID-19 Positive Case Rate per 1000 residents for each zip code with 5 or more confirmed cases:	4/30	5/5	5/6	5/8	5/11
20601	3.188	4.057	4.098	4.512	4.926
20602	3.967	4.688	4.849	5.249	5.610
20603	5.316	5.834	6.041	6.490	6.801
20611	2.783	2.783	2.783	2.783	2.783
20616	2.732	3.756	3.927	4.098	4.268
20622	0	1.429	1.429	1.429	1.633
20637	2.766	3.135	3.319	3.504	3.688
20640	2.108	2.683	2.778	2.874	2.970
20646	3.759	4.817	4.923	4.976	5.082
20662	3.067	3.067	3.067	3.067	3.067
20664	1.674	2.678	2.678	3.013	3.013
20675	3.591	4.189	4.189	4.189	4.189
20677	2.153	3.445	3.876	3.876	3.876
20695	5.446	6.476	6.623	6.918	7.507

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: *This includes the following:*

MISCELLANEOUS

Respectfully submitted by Charles County PHEP

HOSPITAL BRIEF 5-11-2020

- The trigger point for starting up the tent operations outside of the hospital has not yet been activated. Activation will be determined by both staffing levels and patient census presenting to the ED.
- Hospital Bed Capacity = 166. Census = 80
- Hospital ICU Census = 13
- Hospital ICU is now a dedicated COVID-19 Unit, and 3 East is for ICU overflow.
- Isolation Room Capacity = 12
- Isolation Rooms Occupied = 8
- Confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 patient admissions = 15
 - Of the total Fifteen COVID-19 positive patients, six (6) of the patients are located in the ICU. Nine (9) are located in the 3 South dedicated COVID-19 unit
- PUI admissions = 6
- Ventilated COVID-19 positive patients = 8
- Ventilators not in use = 12
- COVID-19 related deaths = 32 (Total to Date)
- CRMC has implemented a policy that requires ALL staff, visitors (which would be very limited), and contractors of any kind to wear a mask while in the hospital at all times.
- The 3 South patient unit at CRMC is dedicated to COVID-19 positive patients only.
- EMS staff transport to CRMC on Sunday, 05/10/2020 = One (1) known COVID-19 positive, and one (1) PUI.
- CMCR total Lab tests to date = 1142.
- Total COVID-19 positive Lab results to date = 253

Intelligence Briefing 5-11-2020
COVID Charles County
Week 9

Updated Infection Numbers: As of 0632 hrs.

Total worldwide: 4,122,173 **+68,472 since the 5-10-20 brief.**

Worldwide increase of confirmed cases by 24-hour period over the last 10 days

5-1/2	5-2/3	5-3/4	5-4/5	5-5/6	5-6/7	5-7/8	5-8/9	5-9/10	5-10/11
88,162	86,724	74,919	79,860	79,091	90,538	90,975	107,394	79,665	68,472

Total fatalities worldwide: 283,001 **+3,210 since the 5-10-20 brief**

Total confirmed cases in the US: 1,329,799 **+17,276 since the 5-10-20 brief**

US increase of confirmed cases by 24-hours period over the last 10 days

5-1/2	5-2/3	5-3/4	5-4/5	5-5/6	5-6/7	5-7/8	5-8/9	5-9/10	5-10/11
34,313	29,713	24,283	22,293	23,841	24,616	27,883	34,128	20,823	17,276

Total fatalities in US: 78,855 **+673 since 5-10-2020**

Maryland Numbers: As of 1000 hrs. via <https://coronavirus.maryland.gov/>

Total confirmed cases in State in of MD: 33,373 **+786 since the 5-10-20 brief**

Total tested in the State of MD: 131,407 **+4,063 over 5-10-20**

Percent of those test that test positive: **25.4%**

Total Fatalities in State of MD: 1,573 **+35 change since the 5-9-20 brief**

Number of probable deaths: 110

Total Ever Hospitalized: 6,183

Persons currently hospitalized: **1,544 -25 since 5-10-2020**

4-29/30	4-30/5-1	5-1/2	5-2/3	5-3/4	5-4/5	5-5/5	5-6/7	5-7/8	5-8/9	5-9/10	5-10/11
+66	-43	-9	-22	+14	+44	+14	-24	-33	-9	-25	-96

First Responder Numbers in Charles County: NUMBERS AS OF 5-11-2020 @1230

10 Quarantine: means exposed and they can't come to work **-1 since last report**

1 Self Isolation: means sick or tested positive **No change**

Weather:

Tuesday 58-40 sun, Wed 66-46 sun, Thursday 73-60

Local:

No stores were visited this AM.

The Charles County Commissioners have added another \$100,000 to the emergency relief trust fund. The application deadline is May 20.

Charles County to receive 25 million from the State of Maryland to help with COVID response and recovery.

Maryland Update:

A shipment of 30 cases of remdesivir, a drug being used to treat hospitalized COVID-19 patients, has been donated to Maryland Department of Health.

Region:

Over 37,798 cases in the NCR as of 1000 5-11-2020,

62,940 cases in Maryland, DC, and Virginia as of 1100 on 5-11-2020.

VA enters Phase 1 of recovery operations on Friday May 15th.

National:

AP infection map: <https://apnews.com/7b5a2994d351e5c1697e2c7478e2969c>

On May 08, the CDC announced the country could begin experiencing outbreaks of measles and other vaccine-preventable diseases because children are not getting the necessary immunizations during the COVID-19 pandemic. A newly released study found vaccinations of children and vaccine orders dropped in late March, about a week after a national emergency was declared. CDC

The federal government will spend \$3B to buy dairy, meat, and produce from U.S. farmers, ranchers and specialty growers. The goods will be provided to support food lines and kitchens and the Farmers to Families Food Box Program. NOC COVID-19 (May 10)

Suppliers will package products into family-sized boxes, then transport them to food banks, community and faith-based organizations, and other non-profits serving those in need from May 15 through June 30. (NCR Sit Rep COVID 19-128)

In April, 88,300 truck drivers filed for unemployment benefits. It is likely that unemployment numbers will continue to rise as manufacturing remains closed. Trucking capacities remain low with decreased demand as carriers have moved out of the marketplace. NBEOC (May 08)

Fourteen major meatpacking facilities in the U.S. have resumed or plan to resume operations this week after implementing the CDC's and the Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) guidelines. USDA

Local critical infrastructure:

No outages or disruptions are reported or are appear to be likely as of today.

Predications/ Analysis:

- We appear to be on the downward side or at least seeing a leveling of this crisis. Commander should take this time to review and collect documents needed to begin the AAR process of the tactical portion of this event. Logistics should begin placing orders to build stockpiles for the next round.
- The change at the Gov. Office re: to releasing nursing home case counts and fatalities this week is likely to create more questions than answers. In addition, it is likely to create a public uproar and increase anger.
- The length and scope of this situation have exposed large cracks in food supply chains, medical supply chains, fossil fuel industries, and other major portions of everyday life. Local leaders should begin a gap analysis and start the after-action process so they can create and modernize resiliency plans, local stockpiles, and coming up with other forward leaning solutions so when the next disaster occurs they are more self-sufficient and better prepared.
- While we have concentrated our efforts on peer support and helping our responders, a proactive approach to including families of first responders is quickly emerging. The command structure should consider a Family Support liaison or expand the Peer support branch.
- The increased discussions about opening the economy, added with the on-going conversation about health care in-equity and racial disproportionality of infections is causing increased polarization, angry, and hate. Social media is rampant with spirited discussions. It is only a matter of time before we begin to see emotions spill over into the public. The small protest we have witnessed thus far could pale in comparison to what is to come. LE should be reviewing plans, manpower, and boosting intelligence gathering to better prepare for potential situations.
- Protests over the continuing of stay at home orders, and business closures are becoming more prevalent and boisterous. Law enforcement should begin to make plans on how to track these groups and respond to events.
- First responder staffing and exposure issues will likely continue to increase. Priority messaging about PPE, manpower reduction strategies, and outside the box thinking should be continued and solutions expedited.
- FOIA and PIA requests for detailed records on infections in assisted living and nursing homes will increase as investigative reporting on this issue increases.
- Grocery stores could become a hotbed of fear and anxiety due to limiting numbers of patrons, assigning shopping days, mask requirements, and now limited meat supplies.
- As critical case in Charles County remain low (outside of nursing homes and assisted living homes), needs in other local jurisdictions are growing. Resources should be prioritized and plans should be made to share/deploy critical resources, personnel, and/or facility space to meet the needs regionally.
- The longer this crisis continues the more likely we are to experience critical events that may not be related to the COVID crisis (incidents within the incident). Those in leadership positions need to be prepared to step into dual leadership/managerial roles

at a moment's notice. This requires taking care of yourself and staying up on the latest tactics, strategies and knowledge.

- Planning for crisis recovery starts as soon as the crisis begins. Monday marks the 8th weeks of this crisis, 6th week of schools being closed. Partners and stakeholders should begin planning for what the return to the "new normal" looks like in their organization. Sharing of these plans will help each organization build more comprehensive processes.
- Over the weekend the US will likely eclipse 500,000 cases and 15,000 deaths. Md numbers will likely pass 5000 and 150 fatalities by Friday. These numbers will cause increased pressure to ratchet up rhetoric re: "stay at home orders" and could result in further sanctions and restrictions.
- As the confirmed case numbers continue to rapidly ascend the likelihood of jurisdictions issuing "travel bans" increases. Law enforcement should begin researching the constitutionality of these potential edicts and have plans in place for implantation and begin to develop a public communication strategy. Standardizing local "travel authorization documentation" should be explored by the lead jurisdiction having authority.
- Due to diverted attention, the international and domestic terrorism threat is rapidly increasing. Responders should be reminded to remain vigilant and of the DHS guidelines for spotting suspicion activities and terrorism indicators.
- As we enter into the reported peak of this situation communication, along with sharing of individual branch capability and capacity is more important now than ever. "We don't know what we are going to need to know until we need to know it."
- First responder organizations should begin surveying members for pre-existing conditions and other complicating medical conditions. Responders found to have pre-existing conditions should be placed in limited citizen contact roles.
- A review of the 179 countries that report COVID-19 cases, only two (South Korea and China) have somewhat "flattened the curve" of NEW infections. Both showed flattening roughly 30 to 45 days after the initial spikes. The initial spike in the US began around 3-18-2020.
- Reduced stability in the supply chain along with increased fear and anxiety can be expected with today's "stay at home order."
- After 3 weeks of social distancing and schools being closed non-english speaking communities within Charles County are likely feeling further isolated due to a lack of language specific communications. Direct and increased messaging to Spanish speakers is likely necessary.
- As mass transit continues to shrink in availability, plans should be made to ensure those who rely on it for essential supplies and trips have delivery resources.
- LE and EMS screening protocols should include questions about recent travel to NY, NJ, CT, and FL.
- Immediate attention is needed to direct companies and organization on the proper processes and appropriate contact to use (Donation Manager at the EOC) to donate PPE and cleaning materials to essential personnel

- The next 7 days will likely see a stabilization of a majority of the grocery supply chain. However, the potential for disruption moving forward continues to remain high.
- FOIA and PIA request from media and citizens groups will likely begin to increase the longer this event lasts. “New normal” processes need to be established as soon as possible.
- Lack of child care options will likely add to family stress. Additional resources, activity and options are needed.
- JIC staff should substantially amplify community resource communications
- As we enter the 2nd week of social distancing stress, anxiety, and fear will likely increase. Continuous reminders of patience and focusing on kindness will become increasingly important.
- Many stores restock overnight. Seniors and the vulnerable populations should be strongly encouraged to shop during the early morning hours when supplies are likely to be at their highest.
- As testing increased the confirmed cases in MD will increase. This will likely cause additional life restrictions.
- Supply chain issues will continue and likely increase as further life interruptions and travel restrictions are ordered. The possibility of violence increases as stress increases, especially at grocery stores.
- Commanders of responders and essential staff should have robust plans for potential quarantines and updated continuity of operations including plans for diminished manpower. Further, responder organizations should begin reviewing existing integration plans with the National Guard.
- Obtaining medical supplies and PPE will continue to be an issue for the foreseeable future. All services should use the command ordering process so orders can be tracked.
- The community of Charles County is showing increased signs of pulling together and assisting one another. The JIC should continue to encourage civility and increase positive press of good news stories occurring throughout our community.

“The most effective leaders in crises ensure that someone else is managing the present well, while focusing their attention on leading beyond the crisis toward a more promising future” (Nutley and Marcus, 2019, Harvard Business Review)

Respectfully submitted by Jason Stoddard

Law Enforcement Branch Briefing

COVID-19 Charles County IMT

May 11th, 2020

Buildings:

Charles County Sheriff's Office: District 1 Lobby is closed for scheduled remodeling. The District 1 clerks have moved to the CCDC Annex building in the same parking area and that lobby is open as normal.

Maryland State Police: Restricted to public

Maryland Transportation Authority: Closed to Public

La Plata Police Department: Closed to the public

Natural Resources Police: Building Closed

Operations:

Charles County Sheriff's Office: Operations have gone to emergency scheduling in accordance with a CCSO level 3 All-Hazards activation. Patrol operational periods are 12 hours from 0700-1900 and 1900-0700. All other operations sections running with normal services being provided from modified locations. Services provided have not been reduced or augmented.

Maryland State Police: Operations as normal.

Maryland Transportation Authority: Operations as normal.

La Plata Police Department: Operations as normal; Doing screening in and screening out.

Natural Resources Police: Operations as normal.

Internal COVID-19:

Charles County Sheriff's Office:

- 4 Sworn Officer quarantined
 - 1 Officer who has family member with symptoms. Estimated return date 05/19/20.
 - 3 Officers who responded to an overdose call on April 28th. Estimated return date 05/12/20.
- 0 Sworn Officers isolated.
- 1 Correctional Officer quarantined.
 - 1 Correctional Officer who has family members who is sick with symptoms. Estimated return date - 05/19/20. **One officer from previous report returned as expected. One officer's sick family member tested negative, had no symptoms, and returned to work.**
- 0 Correctional Officers isolated.

- 0 civilians quarantined.
- 0 civilians isolated.

Charles County Detention Center Population:

- 116 inmates
- 0 COVID positive inmates
- 0 Inmates with symptoms

Maryland State Police: None local
 Maryland Transportation Authority: None local
 La Plata Police Department: None
 Natural Resources Police: None local

Definitions

Quarantine: Quarantine is the process of keeping an asymptomatic (no symptoms) person who had a reported exposure away from other people.

Isolation: Isolation is the process of keeping a symptomatic or positive person away from all other people.

Crime Stats:

Crime continues to be down in all aspects.

TRU:

Charles County Sheriff's Office: Open and working; triage site for COVID-19 calls for service.
 Maryland State Police: Open and working.
 Maryland Transportation Authority: Open and working.
 La Plata Police Department: Open and working.
 Natural Resources Police: Open and working.

Call Restrictions:

Charles County Sheriff's Office: None
 Maryland State Police: None
 Maryland Transportation Authority: None
 La Plata Police Department: None
 Natural Resources Police: None

Governor's Order Violations since Emergency Orders Issued:

Violation sustained calls for service: 57

Warnings: 54

Charges later: 2

On-scene arrest: 1

Health Department Order Violations (Between 04/16/20 and 04/18/20):

Calls for Service

Founded: 5

Unfounded: 10

Dispositions

Warnings: 5 issued

Items of Note: (Not for redistribution)

Changes denoted in red.

Charles County Public Schools Briefing 5-11-2020
COVID Charles County

48-hour Priorities:

- Maintaining instructional continuity
- Expanding and maintaining food service
- Expanding and maintaining WiFi service
- Develop a plan for closing SY 19-20

Meals:

No meal distribution Saturday and Sunday. CCPS served 4,569 meals Friday at the 11 meal distribution sites. The total “unofficial” meals served last week was 26,346, bringing our total meals to date to 210,130!

Closure:

Nothing new to report.

State Superintendent of Schools Karen Salmon announced all Maryland public schools will remain closed until the end of the 2019-20 school year. Distance learning will continue for Charles County Public Schools students. All schools, buildings and centers will remain closed to the public.

Instruction:

Nothing new to report.

As Charles County Public Schools (CCPS) moves into the fifth and sixth weeks of distance learning, new assignments are now available for students online at www.ccboe.com . Paper packets with the new material are available at our 11 meal distribution sites.

Community Wifi:

Nothing new to report.

All four sites are up and running and seeing use. CCPS in process of 3 other additional WiFi sites, will enable students and staff to access CCPS network not just the internet. Installation will begin the week of 5/10/20 at Dr. Mudd Elementary, Somers Middle School, and Gail Bailey Elementary School, adding to the other four hot spots of Piccowaxen Middle School, Henson Middle School, TC Martin Elementary School, and Mt. Hope Nanjemoy Elementary School.

Misc:

Charles County Public Schools' (CCPS) announced additional graduation options for seniors to participate in the virtual graduation for the Class of 2020. This added option is based on new guidance from law enforcement agencies regarding nonessential travel and will include all appropriate safeguards for social distancing. Families will be asked to choose from one of the following options for their senior:

1. **In person option** – students and their families report to their high school at an assigned date and time for the graduate to march across a stage in their cap and gown. A picture will be taken of the student on stage in their cap and gown for use in the graduation video. Families will be limited to one car, and must follow the direction of school staff and law enforcement upon arriving on campus.
2. **Virtual option** – students and families may choose to send in a picture of their graduate in cap and gown holding their diploma cover. This picture will be displayed on the graduation video along with the senior's yearbook photo when their name is called.

This hybrid approach will let each of our families decide which option they are most comfortable with while still honoring the accomplishments of the Class of 2020.

CCPS will create a video of the pictures provided by the graduate **or** the graduate walking across the stage and compile a full graduation ceremony video, which will be aired on our media outlets beginning June 11.

Respectfully submitted by Jason Stoddard and Michael Meiser



Charles County Volunteer Firemen's Association, Inc.

Post Office Box #21, La Plata, Maryland 20646

May 11th, 2020

Re: Volunteer Fire/EMS Brief

Items Being Worked On:

- Reduction of Force Policy – *Information gathering occurring.*

Stations/Apparatus:

- No Station's with contamination issues.
- No Apparatus with any contamination issues.
- No Service Deliverability Issues with Apparatus O.O.S.

Personnel – 1 Members across 1 Stations:

- EMS Station 3 – 1 Quarantined due to a Family Member testing positive.

Incidents/Call Volume:

- No Major Incidents to Report related to COVID-19
- Yesterday's EMS Call Volume was below average, and Fire Call Volume was below average
44 Ems Related Incidents ----- 12 Fire Related Incidents

Other Information:

- Continue to push out information about Social Distancing in the Stations.
- Continue to push out Peer Support Information.

Respectfully Submitted,

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County Fire Chief, Charles County Maryland