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Situation Report #77	Incident COVID-19	Operational Period Dates: 10/14/2020 – 10/21/2020 Times: 0800-0800	Reporting Unit Planning/ Public Information	Form 04/09 ICS-209 Short/Modified
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The following reports on activities for the period shown:

Current Situation

- Lake County Current Risk Alert Level: **Level 2 Orange**
- Cumulative daily count: cases – 1,883; hospitalizations – 192; deaths – 57 (current status. Definitive cause of death can take weeks to determine.)

Health District Updates

- LCGHD operates the Lake County COVID-19 hotline (440-350-2188) and covid19@lcghd.org email inbox, and performs seven day per week contact tracing activities.
- **SCAM ALERT:** If you receive a call from the Health District asking you to shut down, please ask for the name of the individual, note the telephone number, and call 440-251-9798.
- Responded to a media inquiry and was interviewed by News 5 Cleveland.
- Conducted interviews for Fox 8 Cleveland and 19 News regarding Trunk or Treat event.
- LCGHD has received 2,153 complaints to date, with 30 complaints being received within the operational period. The majority of complaint calls received during the operational period involved individuals/businesses not wearing masks, lack of/improper sanitizing, and social distancing.

Governor DeWine's press conferences on October 15, 2020, and October 20, 2020, discussed the following:

- Daily COVID-19 cases continue to rise across the state.
- Ohio Public Health Advisory System – A total of 29 counties are Red Alert Level III, representing 33% of Ohio's 88 counties.
 - Mercer, Putnam, Lucas, Hamilton, Butler, Warren, Montgomery, Greene, Clark, Marion, Union, Madison, Fayette, Highland, Adams, Franklin, Ross, Pike, Scioto, Lawrence, Licking, Richland, Muskingum, Guernsey, Stark, Summit, Portage, Mahoning, Cuyahoga
 - Approximately two-thirds (65%) of Ohioans currently reside in a Red Alert Level III county.
 - There are currently 52 high incidence counties (greater than 100 cases per 100,000 population, during the last two weeks).
 - **Lake County is currently Orange Alert Level II**
 - Spread has been attributed in part to less mask compliance, especially when individuals are with friends or family.
- From October 19, 2020 to October 20, 2020 in Ohio:
 - 2,015 new COVID-19 cases

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- 8 new COVID-19-related deaths
- 216 new COVID-19-related hospitalizations
- 36 new COVID-19-related ICU admissions
- Ten Ohio counties with the highest incidence of COVID-19 (per 100,000 population):
 - Putnam (490.2)
 - Auglaize (440.2)
 - Mercer (376.5)
 - Fayette (354.1)
 - Athens (344.4)
 - Allen (335.1)
 - Jackson (333.2)
 - Ross (297.4)
 - Crawford (279.6)
 - Darke (270.0)
- The needs of struggling Ohioans, including funding for rent, mortgages, water, and sewer utility bills, as well as funding for small businesses and nonprofits will be addressed at the October 22, 2020 press conference.
- The Ohio Bureau of Worker’s Compensation Board of Directors has approved Governor DeWine’s request for a second dividend payment to public and private employers.
 - A total of \$1.3 billion will be distributed via check by the end of this week.
- A draft Interim Vaccine Plan was submitted to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and is available at coronavirus.ohio.gov.
- The Long-term Care Dashboard is going live on coronavirus.ohio.gov today.
- An Executive Order was issued by Interim Director Lance Himes for laboratories to share all positive, negative, inconclusive, and invalid test results with the Ohio Department of Health (See *Additional Information*).
 - These results will inform county-level positivity rates, which will likely be available in November.

Additional Information

- [What’s New on the CDC Website](#)
- [COVID-19 Posters and Signs](#)
- [Updated COVID-19 Testing Guidance](#)
- [Interim Considerations for Testing for K-12 School Administrators and Public Health Officials](#)
- [Amended Director’s Order on the Opening of Adult Day Care Services and Senior Centers](#)
- [Second Amended Reporting Requirements for Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) Under Ohio Revised Code 3701.14 and 3701.23](#)

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