

COALITION COMMUNICATION: LAW ENFORCEMENT

LATEST UPDATES

21-Day Curfew

Due to record numbers of COVID-19 hospitalizations throughout Ohio, a [statewide curfew is in effect between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m.](#) The curfew is intended to help slow virus spread and prevent hospitals from reaching capacity and postponing important medical procedures. By reducing person-to-person contact by 20-30 percent, medical experts anticipate a more manageable amount of cases and hospitalizations.

Members of law enforcement are strongly urged to [read the curfew order](#), understand the various [exemptions](#), and encourage citizens to abide by the curfew.

Officers are not expected to pull over individuals who are seen on the roads during the curfew period. The curfew order is a tool available to law enforcement if egregious health violations are observed. Violations of the order are a misdemeanor of the second degree ([ORC: 3701.352](#))

Law enforcement leaders with questions on the enforcement of the order can contact Andy Wilson, Governor DeWine's senior advisor for criminal justice policy, at andy.wilson@governor.ohio.gov or 937-605-2496.

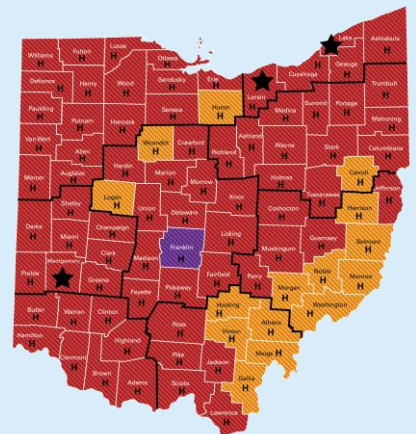
Officer Safety Tips:

- Ventilate law enforcement vehicles, especially during transport.
- Prior to each shift and between use, clean and disinfect vehicles by wiping down all surfaces while wearing gloves. Pay particular attention to cleaning the protective screen and prisoner seat area.
- After the disinfection procedure, properly remove and dispose of the gloves and wash hands with disinfectant soap and water or use hand sanitizer when soap is not available.
- Using household cleaning products/wipes, clean and disinfect duty belt and gear before reuse.

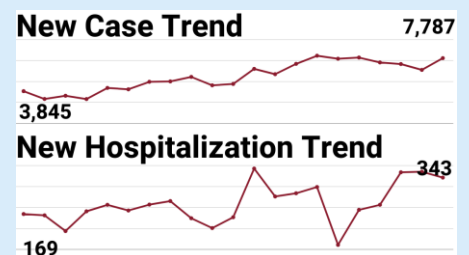
KEY STATS

Data as of Nov. 19, 2020

Public Advisory System



21-Day Trends



SUGGESTED SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

Ohio's 10 pm to 5 am curfew is now in effect, but there are exceptions that you should know [↓] Remember, this is a short-term sacrifice to help our hospitals manage the ongoing surge in patients. It's also about saving lives. Please do your part. ♥ (Use graphics found [here.](#))

Have you seen someone who is

✗ Violating Ohio's curfew? Don't call 911.

✗ Not wearing a mask? Don't call 911.

✗ Throwing a party? Don't call 911.

✓ In trouble and in need of help? Call 911.

We're #InThisTogetherOhio, but please don't call our emergency lines w/ health order complaints.

Here's the thing: Even if you recover from #COVID19, you could still suffer from long-term, and possibly permanent, complications. Is going maskless really worth the risk? #MasksOnOhio #InThisTogetherOhio <https://youtu.be/GILOtNd1Ozw>

The holidays are almost here! 🍷🍷🍷 Although celebrations may be different this year, they can still be meaningful & safe at the same time. Here are tips from @OHDeptofHealth on how you can stay safe and have fun – no matter what holidays you celebrate [→] bit.ly/OhioHolidayGuide (See safe celebrations toolkit for images.)

Much like wearing a mask, social distancing, and handwashing, getting a flu shot provides a layer of protection for you, vulnerable loved ones, and your community. A flu shot is like a personal bodyguard. Get yours today. #FluFighter (See flu vaccinations toolkit for images.)

TALKING POINTS FOR YOU

A vaccine is near, but it's not here yet. Until then, we need to slow down our activities so that more of our fellow citizens are alive to get vaccinated.

Ohio's hospitals are already seeing a record number of patients, and without any interventions, hospitalizations will only increase. This will impact all of us, as it could ultimately lead to the postponement of preventative screenings and in-patient/out-patient surgeries.

Please use these talking points and social media posts to help amplify the message about the importance of slowing the spread of COVID-19. High spread impacts the health of your employees and the public. Encouraging safe practices will help slow the spread in your community.

RESOURCES

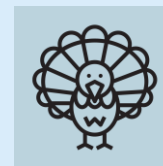
HASHTAGS TO USE

#InThisTogetherOhio

#MasksOnOhio

#StaySafeOhio

#ResponsibleRestartOhio



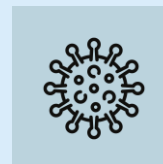
TOOLKIT:
Safe Celebrations



TOOLKIT:
Flu Vaccinations



All Public
Health Orders



Hospitalization
Metrics



TALKING POINTS CONTINUED

The 21-day curfew is a slow down to avoid a full shut down. Many local businesses will not survive another closure; to stay in business, they need you to reduce your person-to-person contacts.

The curfew does not apply to those who need medical assistance, are working or going to or from work, are caring for a loved one, or are going to a retail location for essential items such as food or medicine. Traveling to pick up a restaurant order via carryout, drive-thru, or delivery is also permitted.

The holidays are coming, and the best way to celebrate is at home with members of your household. If you must get together with others, wear a mask, stay six feet apart, and wash your hands and frequently touched surfaces. If you're sick, stay home.

WAYS YOU CAN HELP

Post on social media to describe how you are working to keep your employees and customers safe (and what they can do to help you maintain a safe environment) using the suggested hashtags.

Film PSAs from law enforcement leadership using the messaging outlined in this document. Send them to others who will post them on websites/social media.

Utilize local speaking opportunities and virtual meetings to reiterate the messaging in this document.

Send out regular communications to your network and ask members to post personal messages on social media. This could include a regular newsletter or message to your organization.

KEY MESSAGES

We can control the spread of COVID-19 through what we do every single day.

WEAR A MASK



WASH HANDS OFTEN



SOCIAL DISTANCE



It is still recommended that you stay home as much as possible. Work from home if you can.

HELP US HELP YOU!

We want to help you communicate with community members, staff, and others in your circle of influence. If you need assistance or have suggestions for Governor DeWine's Local Government team, please contact Jill Del Greco at 614-420-6954 or jill.delgreco@governor.ohio.gov.