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# COVID-19 OUTBREAK

## SITUATION REPORT - 121.1

JULY 27, 2020

For Operational Period: July 24-26, 2020

### WORLDWIDE

16,447,330 Cases

652,858 Deaths

### UNITED STATES

4,371,992 Cases

149,852 Deaths

### MICHIGAN

86,661 Cases

6,400 Deaths

### OUT-WAYNE COUNTY

12,454 Cases

1,201 Deaths

### SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

- While Europe has fought through its first wave of COVID-19 infections, doctors said lingering symptoms and long-term effects are increasing the need for ongoing care. "It might be that they actually develop new problems, such as scarring on the lungs, and in some people, we've also observed that the blood becomes more sticky, making them more prone to getting clots, which can then occur in the lungs and also in the brain," said Professor Chris Brightling, a researcher and the University of Leicester.
- Drug company executives sought to reassure that the federal government is not lowering its approval standards, and any coronavirus vaccine that gains approval will be safe. Executives from Moderna, Janssen, Merck, AstraZeneca and Pfizer told lawmakers during a hearing that despite the unprecedented speed, any vaccine candidate will be safe. "We do believe it's possible to develop a safe and effective vaccine," said Macaya Douoguih, head of clinical development at Janssen. "A lot needs to be done in parallel, but it can be done safely and without compromising any of the standards we usually undertake for any clinical trial."
- As companies and organizations transition employees back to their workplaces, supporting employee mental health during the COVID-19 pandemic is an area of growing interest. To help industry leaders and employers navigate employee mental health in the workplace, the [University of Michigan Depression Center](#) will host a [virtual conference](#) on Aug. 19. Researchers, clinicians and industry experts will discuss the impact of COVID-19 on employee mental health and provide real-world strategies for supporting employees.
- The three simple acts of hand-washing regularly, wearing masks and social distancing could stop most of the COVID-19 pandemic, even without a vaccine or additional treatments, according to a new study. In the [study](#), published last Tuesday in the journal PLoS Medicine, a new model was created to look at the spread of the disease and prevention efforts that could help stop it. Admiral Brett Giroir, a member of the White House coronavirus task force, said at a briefing that masks and physical distancing could quickly stop the spread of the pandemic. "If we have that degree of compliance with these simple measures, our models say that's really as good as shutting it down."

### ACTIONS TAKEN

- Wayne County Public Health has developed COVID-19 [educational materials](#) available for download.
- The Public Health Emergency Operations Center (PHOC) is at FULL ACTIVATION.

### USEFUL RESOURCES

[Readiness for Schools](#)

[Find a Testing Site Near You](#)

[Volunteer](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Wayne County](#)

[Michigan.gov/coronavirus](#)

[COVID-19 Workplace Toolkit](#)

[Save-A-Life Program](#)

[COVID-19 Educational Materials](#)

[CDC](#)

**Disaster Distress Helpline:** 1-800-985-5990

**National Domestic Violence Hotline:** 1-800-799-7233 and TTY 1-800-787-3224

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