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COVID-19 OUTBREAK

COVID-19 BRIEFING - 218.1

DECEMBER 16, 2020

For Operational Period: December 15, 2020

WORLDWIDE

73,944,986 Cases

1,644,889 Deaths

UNITED STATES

17,145,590 Cases

311,073 Deaths

MICHIGAN

478,171 Cases

11,495 Deaths

OUT-WAYNE COUNTY

49,223 Cases

1,635 Deaths

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

- Frontline health care workers at two Michigan hospitals on Monday (Dec. 14) were the first people in the state to receive the safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine approved by the FDA and CDC. The first COVID-19 vaccine, produced by Michigan-based Pfizer, and the initial vaccinations mark a historic milestone in the world's unprecedented cooperative mission to control and end the COVID-19 pandemic. Additional Michigan hospitals are expected to begin vaccinating health care staff later this week.—**Michigan.gov**
- By the end of the week, the United States could have two coronavirus vaccines. A vaccine candidate developed by biotechnology company Moderna appears poised for regulatory clearance after a detailed data review by FDA scientists confirmed the two-shot regimen was 94 percent effective in a clinical trial and carried no serious safety concerns.—**The Washington Post**
- London will return to a strict lockdown this week, after coronavirus cases soared in the British capital, UK Health Secretary Matt Hancock said Monday (Dec. 14). Hancock said London will be moved from England's Tier 2 "high alert" local restrictions to the "very high" Tier 3 on Wednesday (Dec. 16) morning at 12:00 a.m. Under the highest restriction level, all bars, cafes and restaurants will close except for takeout and delivery.—**CNN**
- The Michigan Unemployment Insurance Agency (UIA) advised workers that unless Congress takes action, federal unemployment insurance (UI) programs provided under the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act will end on December 26, 2020. The UIA estimates that the unemployment benefits of nearly 692,000 Michigan workers may be affected unless Congress acts swiftly to extend UI provisions under CARES.—**Michigan.gov**
- **NOTE:** The state of Michigan has updated its database to reflect additional Out-Wayne County Deaths dating back to April. The state is updating total deaths based on its continuing review of death certificates during the pandemic period. Only **two** additional deaths have been reported on 12/15/20.

ACTIONS TAKEN

- The Public Health Emergency Operations Center (PHOC) is at FULL ACTIVATION.

USEFUL RESOURCES

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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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