Multnomah County Emergency Operations Center

Situation Report Number: 2020-OERS - 03.09.20	
Incident Name: COVID-19 - MultCo Coordination	
OERS Number: 2020-0279	
EOC: Activated	**Incident Commanders:** Kim Toevs, Multnomah County Health Department Alice Busch, Multnomah County Emergency Management
Date: 03.09.2020	Please review the Multnomah County Coronavirus FAQs or call **211**. If you can't find an answer, submit your questions to Multnomah County.
Time: 1510	➤**Purple text reflects new or updated information**

General

Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Updates

- Situation Reports will be released daily at approximately 6:00 pm.
- On March 8, Oregon Gov. Kate Brown declared a state of emergency related to the COVID-19 outbreak. The state of emergency will remain in effect for 60 days, but could be extended if necessary.
- Oregon currently has 14 cases who have tested positive for COVID-19. ➤No new cases were announced today.
- Regional health press conferences are now scheduled every Monday and Thursday at 2pm to provide COVID-19 updates.
- ➤The Oregon Legislature voted unanimously to allocate $5 million to assist with the response to COVID-19.
- ➤Procedure masks were requested and received from Oregon Health Authority's stockpile. Multnomah County's Logistics Section ensured the delivery of these masks to homeless night and day shelters across the County. Another 600 procedure masks were provided to the County's Law Enforcement Liaison for distribution to all law agencies in Multnomah County. The guidance accompanying these procedure masks are to place them on actively coughing individuals.
- ➤In collaboration with Portland Street Medicine and Multnomah County, Just-in-Time training guidance was developed for individuals experiencing homelessness outside of shelters. In addition to these training materials, laminated cards were also printed that discuss how to care for a sick person and when to seek medical care. These materials will be distributed across Multnomah County through existing homeless outreach provider organizations on Wednesday, March 11.

- ➤The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) released guidance about what the public should know about COVID-19 testing (see here).
- Guidance is being finalized that will help people determine when to seek healthcare and how to tell the difference between mild and serious illness.
- ➤The Multnomah County Office of Diversity and Equity will develop examples of responses for staff and the public who witness discriminatory behavior related to COVID-19.
- ➤Multnomah County is exploring free flu vaccines as a way to keep people healthy and engaged in their daily lives.
- Homeless shelter capacity is being maintained while implementing guidance to prevent transmission. A key goal is to separate the sick and the well in shared living environments.
    - ➤The City of Portland and Multnomah County worked collaboratively to extend winter shelter capacity for the foreseeable future.
- ➤Multnomah County continues to update guidance documents located on its COVID-19 website.
- Information is available on the county website in twelve languages other than English. They provide COVID-19 prevention information in Spanish, Russian, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Somali, Vietnamese, Korean, Arabic, French, Japanese, Nepali and Swahili. Español | русский | 中文 | 繁體中文 | Soomaali | Tiếng Việt | 한국어 | العربية | Français | 日本語 | नेपाली | Kiswahili
- ➤A series of COVID-19 informational videos in Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese, and Russian were filmed today. Somali and Arabic are in draft and expected to be completed soon. These short videos (just over two minutes) are designed to be used on Twitter and will be available for download from the County website.
- Dr. Jen Vines and Dr. Paul Lewis presented a webinar for outpatient clinics.
- Liaisons with subject-matter expertise have been identified to support community organizations, businesses, and agencies. The liaisons will meet every other Monday to coordinate situational information and begin planning "train the trainer" outreach. The liaisons are available to provide information to agencies and community organizations. The list of liaisons is below. They are available to members of their respective sectors. Sectors with no liaison named are not yet filled. If you are interested in serving as a liaison, please contact the Liaison Unit Leader. Please note that the cost for non-county staff interested and able to fill vacant roles will be the responsibility of their organization.

PLEASE USE THE MOST RECENTLY RELEASED SITUATION REPORT FOR CURRENT LIAISON CONTACTS

Situational News Outside Multnomah County
- ➤King County, Washington announced 33 new presumptive COVID-19 cases today.
- ➤Canada announced its first COVID-19 related death today, at a long-term care facility in North Vancouver, British Columbia.
- ➤Italy released a decree banning all mass gatherings in the entire country. 97 deaths were reported in the country today.

- ➤The U.S. Department of State issued guidance advising Americans, especially those with underlying health concerns, to avoid cruises. The advisory can be read here.

Emergency Support Function 8: Health & Medical

- This is a dynamic situation. Information and case counts are changing rapidly and the incident is on-going.
- CDC testing criteria for COVID-19 has changed. The Oregon Health Authority is actively working on updating Oregon's testing criteria and new guidance will be provided by the Tri-County Health Officer.
- ➤The Multnomah County Communicable Disease team received 23 calls today on their provider hotline. This number is reserved for health care providers. We ask that the general public use 211 or connect with their Liaison.

Epidemiology Updates

➤**Global Cases*** (click here for source: World Health Organization Situation Report 49 - 3/9/20)

- ➤109,578 confirmed cases (3,994 new in the last 24 hours at time of report) and 3,809 confirmed deaths (225 new) worldwide.
  - There are confirmed cases in 104 Countries/territories/areas. Countries with their first reported case in the last 24 hours are Albania, Bangladesh, and Paraguay.

➤**United States (as of 3/9 5:13 PM, click here for source)**

- ➤Total United States cases: 605
- ➤Total United States deaths: 22

➤**Situation in Oregon** (**click here for source**)

Test Results for Persons Under Investigation (PUI)*
As of 3/9/2020, 10:00 AM

Positive	14‡
Negative	165
Pending	52
Total PUI since 1/24/2020	231

*A PUI is an individual with COVID-19 symptoms—but not necessarily the virus—who may have been exposed through close contact with a confirmed case or travel to an affected region, or who has pneumonia, thought by the clinician to be viral, requiring hospitalization with no more likely diagnosis and no source of exposure has been identified.

‡ 1 confirmed by the CDC (U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention)

Demographic Information for Positive Cases

County	Number of cases	Percent
Douglas	1	7.1%
Jackson	2	14.3%
Klamath	1	7.1%
Marion	1	7.1%
Umatilla	1	7.1%
Washington	8	57.1%
Total	14	100%

Age group	Number of cases	Percent
17 or younger	1	7.1%
18 to 24	1	7.1%
25 to 34	0	0.0%
35 to 54	5	35.7%
55 to 74	7	50.0%
Total	14	100%

Emergency Support Function 14: Public Information

For media inquiries related to COVID-19 please contact: Kate Willson, Public Information Media Coordinator: 503-410-4524

Social Media Posts
- [Multnomah County Facebook](#)
- [Multnomah County Twitter](#)
- [Multnomah County Health Department Facebook](#)
- [Multnomah County Health Department Twitter](#)
- [Multnomah County Emergency Management Facebook](#)
- [Multnomah County Emergency Management Twitter](#)

Resources:
- [Main Multnomah County website for COVID-19:](#) Public-facing website containing FAQs, situation reports, poster links, and more resources.
  - [Multnomah County Coronavirus FAQs](#): Read FAQs related to COVID-19 topics, such as general health, traveler health, provider health, and animal health.
  - [Novel Coronavirus Questions Submittal Form](#): Still have a question about this virus? Ask our health experts through this online form.
- [Public Health Alerts](#): Read current and past public health alerts.
- [Oregon Health Authority Crisis and Emergency Risk Communication](#): COVID-19 fact sheets, flyers, and templates in multiple languages.
- [CDC Coronavirus Disease 2019 Information:](#) Information for specific audiences, situation reports, and information about COVID-19.
- [WHO Coronavirus Disease 2019 Information](#): Information about protecting yourself, Q&A's, travel advice, situation reports, technical guidance, and global research.
- [Johns Hopkins Coronavirus Global Map](#): John Hopkins University Center for Systems Science and Engineering map of the global outbreak (updated daily).
- [OEM Oregon Coronavirus Map](#): Oregon Office of Emergency Management's web map of Coronavirus cases in Oregon. Data and information in this dashboard updates every 5 minutes.
- [COVID-19 GIS Hub](#): A catalog of GIS applications and data related to COVID-19.
- [Tri-Met Updates](#): Tri-Met is maintaining a web page with COVID-19 updates.
- [Portland State University Updates](#): Page updating Portland State University's response to and plans for COVID-19.
- [Port of Portland Updates](#): The Port of Portland is maintaining a web page with information about their response to COVID-19.
- [Portland Expo Center Updates](#): The Expo Center has posted an FAQ with answers to common questions about COVID-19 and their protective and preventive measures.

Partner Updates

Partner departments, divisions, and any activated Branch/Group/Unit/Section **please submit updates/actions taken related to COVID-19 by 2:00pm**. Information submitted will be included in that afternoon's Multnomah County COVID-19 Situation Report.

➤The CITY OF PORTLAND will move their Emergency Coordination Center (ECC) status from Enhanced to Partial tomorrow. The ECC will be open from 8:00am-5:00pm Monday-Friday.

➤PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY is remaining open in accordance with Oregon Health Authority guidance for schools and campuses with no confirmed cases. Dr. David Bangsberg, a physician and dean of the OHSU-PSU School of Public Health said he agreed with the OHA's advice to avoid school and campus closures for now. "This recommendation represents a reasonable and thoughtful approach given the information that is available at this time," he says. "This is a dynamic situation and will require continued partnership between schools, colleges and universities and the public health community to make real-time decisions."

➤The PORT OF PORTLAND has announced some changes to flight schedules from Portland International Airport. United Airlines has reduced its daily schedule and Sun Country Airlines has eliminated some destinations.

To submit updates/actions, email the Multnomah County EOC Situation Unit (eoc.situationunit@multco.us) with the subject line: *Partner Update for COVID-19 Situation Report.*

Activated EOCs/ICPs - Currently 24 Oregon counties and two tribal nations are activated

Operations Center	*Status of Activation*
Oregon Health Authority	Enhanced
Oregon Emergency Management	ECC open Monday through Friday 8:00am-5:00pm, virtually on weekends. ➤Emergency Support Function #14 – Cross Sector Business & Infrastructure
City of Portland	➤Partial
Clackamas County	Full
Metro	Partial
Washington County	Partial
Clark County	Partial
Columbia County	Monitoring
Yamhill County	DOC
Bonneville Power Administration, Pacific Power, Portland General Electric, ➤NW Natural	Incident Management Teams
➤US Army Corps of Engineers	➤Crisis Action Team

➤FEMA National Business Emergency Operations Center (NBEOC)	➤Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm	
Activated Call Centers		
Call Center	*Phone Number*	*Hours*
COVID-19 Communicable Disease Health Care Provider Hotline	503-988-3406	24/7
Mental Health Call Center	503-988-4888	24/7
211	211	7 days a week 8am-11pm
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