## Public Briefing from the



## **April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Update on COVID-19** (as of 4:30 pm)

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (WI DHS) and the North Shore Health Department (NSHD), along with other local health departments are responding to an outbreak of respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus, COVID-19. For the most current information, visit the <a href="CDC's website">CDC's website</a> or our <a href="website">website</a>. Wisconsin <a href="DHS">DHS</a> publishes statewide COVID-19 data that is updated daily.

We are currently monitoring 23 active cases in the North Shore, and we are also providing active monitoring for high-risk contacts of confirmed cases. We have triaged and processed over 1,103 suspect cases and/or contacts, and performed several large contact investigations, which involves notifying the contacts of their potential risk and educating them on self-quarantine guidelines. We are also managing several active cases in Milwaukee to assist the Milwaukee Health Department.

The NSHD has compiled data on the total number of positive and negative test results received per day in the North Shore and determined the percent of tests per day that had a positive result: Statewide data with

these measures is released daily as a method of tracking progress throughout Wisconsin. This North Shore level data provides our department and the public with a way to assess the state of our community specifically.

The NSHD has been working diligently to effectively respond to the COVID-19 pandemic and protect the health and safety of North Shore residents: We want to share with you some of the notable successes of the NSHD in response to COVID-19:

- Supported school closures on March 13<sup>th</sup>, ahead of the Governor's Order.
- Closed restaurants and bars on March 17<sup>th</sup>, ahead of the Governor's Order.
- Established a COVID-19 response team with staff from North Shore schools and the North Shore Fire Department that is still actively monitoring positive cases and conducting contact tracing.
- Serving on the Future Operation Team for the Milwaukee County United Emergency Operations Center (EOC): The Milwaukee County United EOC brings together the North Shore Health Department, North Shore Fire/Rescue, North Shore police departments, Bayside Dispatch, Village Managers, and the Glendale City Administrator for daily updates and planning of our response to COVID-19.

## **COVID-19 Cases to Date**

**North Shore** (includes Bayside, Brown Deer, Fox Point, Glendale, River Hills, Shorewood, Whitefish Bay - as of April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020)

## 117 Cumulative Confirmed Cases (+4)

23 active cases being managed and monitored (+0)

85 cases resolved - people have recovered and been removed from isolation by NSHD (+2)

8 deaths (+2)

1 transfer out of state

**Milwaukee County** (as of April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020)

2,815 Cumulative Confirmed Cases (+93)

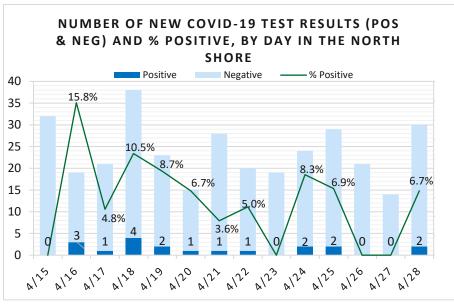
177 deaths (+3)

Wisconsin (as of April 29th, 2020)

6,520 Cumulative Confirmed Cases (+231)

66,630 People with Negative Results (+3,095)

308 deaths (+8)



Milwaukee Community Health Centers Expand Access to COVID-19 Diagnostic Testing (media

release): If you are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms you can call one of the five Community Health Centers to determine your need for testing. Individuals without a primary care provider are encouraged to seek testing through the Community Health Centers. There are no insurance, income or immigration restrictions. Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center: 414-383-9526 Milwaukee Health Services, Inc. – 414-372-8080 Outreach Community Health Center – 800-952-1086 Progressive Community Health Center - 414-882-2040 Sixteenth Street Community Health Center – 414-672-1353

**COVID-19 Diagnostic Testing** 

Milwaukee Community Health Centers

If you do NOT have a doctor and have ANY of the following symptoms:

Call your nearest Milwaukee Health Center or 211 Diagnostic testing is by appointment only



Several state parks, forests, and recreational areas will re-open on Friday, May 1: Governor Evers directed the Department of Natural Resources to reopen certain state parks with special pre-cautions in place to maintain social distancing. An annual park sticker and/or trail pass will be required to visit state parks and trails. The pass can be purchased by calling: 1-888-305-0398. The full list of parks to reopen and additional information on visiting requirements can be found here: Press Release

This is a rapidly evolving situation and we encourage you to frequently monitor the DHS website for updates, as well as the NSHD website. Additional information on COVID-19 can be found on the CDC website.