



TOWN OF HUDSON

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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The following is an update regarding the activities of the Hudson Emergency Operations Center in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. You will note that we review several pieces of information in an attempt to forecast our response locally. This is an ever changing event that requires a close coordination with local, state and federal partners.

General Overview

International COVID-19 Timeline

Summary of World Health Organization Data

DATE	COUNTRIES / Territories	EVENT	COMMENTS
31 Dec 2019	Wuhan City, China	44 with pneumonia	Unknown cause China reports
7 Jan 2020	China	Coronavirus identified	China identifies the agent
14 Jan	China	Infrared thermometers in All Chinese airports, rail, bus, ferry stations	Chinese restrictions begin
20 Jan	Japan, Thailand, Korea + China 282 cases WW	Corona infections	Spread confirmed outside China
31 Jan	19 countries 2 cases in Italy 6 cases in US	9,826 cases 213 Deaths	W.H.O. recommends social distancing, detection, isolation
15 Feb	25 countries	50,580 cases 1,524 Deaths WW 1,522 Deaths / China	20,000 / week case increase. No travel advisory by WHO.
1 Mar	58 countries 1,128 cases in Italy 62 cases in US	87,137 cases 2,977 Deaths WW 2,873 Deaths / China	No travel advisory. O2 Rx is major intervention.
15 Mar	143 countries 2,157 cases in Italy 1,678 cases in US	153,517 cases 5,735 Deaths WW 3,204 Deaths / China	WW deaths now approaching China's in 10 weeks.
31 Mar	201 countries 101,739 cases Italy 164,000 cases in US 3,100 Deaths in US	803,528 cases 39,040 Deaths WW 3,310 Deaths / China	In last 2 weeks: ↑ in 58 countries ↑ of 162,322 / US US Deaths ~ doubled

7 April	140,510 Spain 132,547 Italy 369,069 US	1,365,004 cases 76,507 deaths WW	
April 14, 2020	US 582,634 Spain 172,541 Italy 159,516	1,935,646 cases 120,914 deaths WW	
April 21, 2020	US 787,960 Spain 204,178 Italy 183,957	2,531,804 cases 174,336 deaths WW	39,643 Cases 1809 deaths Mass 3rd

Ref: World Health Organization, Novel Coronavirus Situation Updates

U.S. COVID-19 Data

Summary of Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Data

Date	# of U.S. Cases	
1/22/20	1	
1/31/20	7	
2/15/20	13	
2/29/20	24	
3/15/20	3,487	
3/18/20	10,442	
<u>3/21/20</u>	<u>24,583</u>	<u>60 Days from 1st US case</u>
3/24/20	54,453	
3/28/20	122,653	
3/31/20	164,000	3,100 deaths (now exceeds 9/11 toll)
4/07/20	369,069	10,993 deaths
4/14/2020	582,634	23,654 deaths
4/21/2020	787,960	42,364 deaths

Current Data:

New Hampshire:

1447 Positives 42 deaths 398 in Hillsborough County

20-49 estimated to be in Hudson.

The State of New Hampshire continues to work with public health partners to increase testing. As you are aware, last week we reported out that they would be targeting the long term care facility staff. They are hopeful to provide some impact to the cluster outbreaks they have seen on this type of facility.

We continue to work on increasing protection for all of our employees. This week we are moving all first responders to the ENVO N95 mask for their front line of protection. Each first responder has been issued their own reusable mask for utilization during the workday. We are in the process of developing a similar program for all field deployed employees in Land Use, Inspectional Services, Assessing and Public Works.

This past week we reviewed our messaging platforms. I am happy to report that our website and social media sites are performing very well. We have experienced over 50,000 uses of the town website and our Facebook account continues to be very active.

The EOC Command Staff will begin to examine the results of the two surveys conducted last week. We had over 90 of our employees take the time to participate in the COVID-19 check-in survey. We plan to develop goals for growth off of each of the surveys.

We have submitted our first grant to secure funding to increase our disinfecting capabilities in our town owned fleet and infrastructure. Additionally, the grant attempts to secure funding for overtime costs expended as of April 17, 2020. Total value of the grant submission is \$34,598.91.

Additionally this week, we are reporting that we have 7 Police Department employees in quarantine, one of which who has tested positive for COVID-19. All are quarantining at home for the duration of the 14 day period.

Incident Goals

As presented to the Board of Selectmen during the March 24, 2020 meeting the following goals were established;

- Provide for employee health and safety.
- Create a plan that would provide services to the community during the NH State of Emergency.

Accomplishments

- The Continuity of Operations plan supported by the Board of Selectmen has been put into place and adjusted to make sure we were meeting the intent of Governor Sununu's stay at home order. This was issued effective Friday, March 27, 2020.
- The following guidelines and messaging has been developed
 - Remote working guideline
 - Earned time usage guideline
 - Secondary employment guideline
 - Emergency order review
 - Development of messaging regarding virtual recreation programs
 - Development of messaging regarding available conservation areas
 - CDC Guideline review
 - Implementation of Convenient MD program
- We continue to monitor and adjust protective clothing updates.

- We are reviewing and implementing new CDC guidelines for both employment and public use.
- Public Messaging regarding COVID-19 information and town impacted services have been made available to the public through the Town of Hudson webpage, social media platforms and Hudson Community Television programs.
- We have issued an updated Incident Action Plan for this week.
- Employee and Performance Surveys have been developed and distributed. Surveys will be collected through the end of the day Friday.
- Develop workforce communication plan
- Develop and implement an Economic Development Branch to support our business community
 - Identify support programs for Hudson businesses
 - Identify opportunities to stabilize the business environment
- Develop Employee health and safety plans
- Continue to develop virtual meeting platforms
- Implement electronic distribution of payroll
- We continue FEMA ICS 214 Activity forms, tracking department activities to support the disaster declaration authorized by the President of the United States.

Concerns

- We continue to monitor growing positive cases in the Hudson area. As you are aware, last evening it was reported that Hudson had between 20-49 cases locally. We have started to see an increase in incidents that are being classified as COVID-19 related. We are anticipating our case numbers to increase.
- We continue to monitor protective clothing supplies for first responders. Currently the State of NH continues to identify opportunities to improve supply numbers.

Financial Review

As established in the Emergency Operations Plan, we have established a Finance branch led by Kathy Carpentier Finance Director. Early on we established this organizational branch so we could track all purchases undertaken to support our efforts to meet the challenges of the COVID-19 incident. To date our expenditures have totaled \$47,547.59.

Weekly Goals

The following goals are being established;

- Develop a plan for Recreation programs
- Develop a wellness program for town employees
- Look at long term teleconferencing efforts
- Support schools/food pantry programs
- Create a short term and long term employee safe plans

This report is a synopsis of the activities that have taken place to meet the challenges of COVID-19. As we have reviewed, this event is constantly evolving and information is usually outdated prior to a briefing being written. I am thankful for the support of our partners and staff who have a tremendous amount of time invested into the event. If it was not for our team we would severely be hampered in our efforts.