



# 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	<b>In last 2 weeks:</b> ↑ in 58 countries ↑ of 162,322 / US US Deaths ~ doubled

7 April	140,510 Spain 132,547 Italy <b>369,069 US</b>	1,365,004 cases 76,507 deaths WW	
April 14, 2020	<b>US 582,634</b> Spain 172,541 Italy 159,516	1,935,646 cases 120,914 deaths WW	
April 21, 2020	<b>US 787,960</b> Spain 204,178 Italy 183,957	2,531,804 cases 174,336 deaths WW	39,643 Cases 1809 deaths Mass 3rd
April 28, 2020	<b>US 988,469</b> Spain 232,128 Italy 199,414	3,057,957 211,522 deaths WW	56,462 Cases 3,003 deaths Mass
May 5, 2020	<b>US 1,180,634</b> Spain 218,011 Italy 191,832	3,610,006 252,301 death WW	69,087 4,090 deaths Mass
May 12, 2020	<b>US 1,351,248</b> Russia 232,243 UK 227,735	4,215,514 287,809 deaths WW	78,462 5,108 deaths Mass
May 19,2020	<b>US 1,508,957</b> Russia 299,941 Brazil 257,396	4,822,430 318,851 deaths WW	87,052 5,862 deaths Mass

Ref: World Health Organization, Novel Coronavirus Situation Updates

## U.S. COVID-19 Data

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*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

3/21/20

24,583

60 Days from 1<sup>st</sup> US case

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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
4/28/2020	988,469	56,253 deaths
5/5/2020	1,180,634	68,934 deaths
5/12/2020	1,347,936	80,684
5/19/2020	1,508,957	90,396

**Current Data:**

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**New Hampshire:**

3,652 Positives                      172 deaths                      1,764 in Hillsborough County

72 estimated to be in Hudson.

**Incident Goals**

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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.

**Incident Update**

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The State of New Hampshire continues to work with local stakeholders on the implementation of Stay at Home 2.0. We continue to offer guidance regarding the phasing in of new practices in our recreational, retail, cosmetology and dining industries.

As of today we have six local restaurants that have either worked through or are in the process of obtaining outdoor dining. After following up with staff, they report that the permitting process has been moving along very smoothly. Just a reminder the temporary permits will expire 30 days following the expiration of the NH State of Emergency Order.

Last week, the EOC provided a drive thru clinic at the Hills Garrison School over a two period. In total we tested 345 people. The event went well and was very efficiently managed. We are pending the results of the team’s efforts.

This week the Command Staff for the EOC has started to review a process for reopening efforts in the Town of Hudson. As we continue to work with our State and local partners we recognize this will be a very involved process. Additionally, we are providing support to the School Department who has created a task force for how educational opportunities will look this fall for

the Hudson School District. We look forward to reviewing the guidance and planning efforts with the Board of Selectmen at a future meeting.

We are also monitoring an unprotected exposure at the Public Works Department. Currently we are awaiting test results for one employee with several others who were also potentially exposed.

This past week Governor Sununu also extended the State of Emergency order for New Hampshire.

## **Accomplishments**

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- 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.
- Develop Employee health and safety plans
- Continue to develop virtual meeting platforms
- Implementation of localized testing
- Implementation of wellness programs for town employees
- Continue implementation of the six goals created by the command staff to further develop the EOC Operation
- Conduct local testing on May 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>
- Implementation of Emergency Order 40 Stay at Home 2.0
- Implementation of a hot line for questions from Hudson Residents
- Continue to pursue and identify funding opportunities
- Implementation of plan to improve workspace safety levels
- We continue FEMA ICS 214 Activity forms, tracking department activities to support the disaster declaration authorized by the President of the United States.

## Concerns

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- We continue to implement Stay at Home 2.0, specifically the requirements for outdoor dining.
- We continue to pursue additional public testing opportunities. Currently we are seeing additional testing in targeted groups and not the general public. The intention is to assist with isolation of spread in the highlighted facilities.
- We continue to monitor protective clothing supplies for first responders. Currently the State of NH continues to identify opportunities to improve supply numbers. We are additionally looking to secure a supply chain that will support efforts for the long term, with the forecasted outbreak in the fall.

## Financial Review

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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 \$245,782.66. The bulk of the noted increase is related to the first responder stipends for both fire and police departments.

## Weekly Goals

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The following goals are being established;

- Review potential credit card efficiency with the Board of Selectmen
- Start the development phase of the a suggest re-opening plan
- Develop a long term solution for collecting public input during Board of Selectmen's meetings
- Develop a mass vaccination program

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.