

<u>Incident Name:</u> COVID-19 Public Health Response	End of Day Summary- Public Columbia/Boone County Public Health and Human Services Operational Summary 10/15/2020	<u>Incident Start:</u> March 6, 2020
<u>Agency Reporting:</u> Columbia/Boone County Public Health and Human Services	<u>Incident Commander:</u> Stephanie Browning, Director Scott Clardy, Assistant Director	<u>Prepared By:</u> Rebecca Estes, Senior Planner Chrystal Smart, EPHS
Summarized Operational Time Period:	8:00 AM on 10/15/2020 to 5:00 PM on 10/15/2020	

Incident Definition: Response to emerging Novel Corona Virus, now known as COVID-19. This includes-

- Addressing general public concerns regarding COVID-19
- Providing guidance to stakeholders regarding COVID-19
- Provide surveillance of COVID-19 in community
- Provide case investigation and contact tracing for instances of COVID 19.

Summary of COVID Cases

# of Positive COVID Cases in MO	# of Positive COVID Cases in Boone
	Current: 429
Deaths: 2,442	Released from Isolation: 5,039
Total: 150,554	Deaths: 14
	Total: 5,482

Statistic Charts can be found at:

<http://gocolumbiamo.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=478880b83d5e4d35b646d80fe6f2c2f6>

Operations Report

Significant Events from Operational Period:

- Staff met with local restaurant regarding staffing needs and social distancing.
- Nurses from PHHS and Columbia Public Schools met regarding remaining flu shot clinics and antigen testing.
- Information and Guidance provided feedback to submitted Operational Plans.
- PHHS staff provided an interview to KOMU regarding CARES Act funding.
- PHHS staff provided an interview to KMIZ regarding disease tracking/quarantine phone applications.
- PHHS staff provided interview to KRCG regarding Halloween.
- PHHS staff provided interview to KOOMU regarding hospitalizations.
- PHHS staff attended virtual Non urban area healthcare coalition meeting hosted by Missouri Hospital Association.
- Received supplies for future drive thru testing sites that the State Health Department will host.
- Replenished sanitization supplies for the building.
- Posted an opening for an additional case investigator position.
- Environmental health staff responded to city and county complaints and inquiries regarding compliance with public health order.
- Environmental Health and Information and Guidance worked to provide guidance regarding events and operational plans.
- Continued case and contact investigations.

Media Briefing

News

- [Kamala Harris halts travel after 2 involved in campaign test positive for coronavirus](#)
- [Coronavirus risk lowered for blood type O, study says](#)
- [Pfizer, BioNTech begin coronavirus vaccine trials in kids, publish early-stage data](#)

Local News

KOMU - [Governor Parson holds briefing, plans to discuss vaccine rollout plans](#), [Health department explains Boone County's high number of hospitalizations](#), [MU reports 24 new student cases, 70 total active cases](#), [Mizzou Basketball starts new season in COVID world](#), [56 deaths at Veterans' homes since Sept. 1](#), [Boonville School Board discusses changing quarantine guidelines](#)

KMIZ - [Missouri releases COVID-19 vaccination plan](#), [Missouri COVID-19 hospitalizations 'obviously concerning'](#), [Missouri's COVID-19 Public Health dashboard updated for first time since Saturday](#)

KRCG - [Hospitalizations at new high, positivity rate up in Missouri](#), [Parson summarizes the state's plans regarding the COVID-19 vaccine](#), [Missouri database fixed, COVID-19 cases jump to nearly 149k](#), [Boonville R-I discusses possible changes to COVID policy](#)

Missourian - [Truman Veterans' Hospital adds acute care beds for COVID-19 patients](#), [#CampusClear daily symptom check required starting monday](#)

Tribune - [Boone County adds 100 new COVID-19 cases as hospitalizations reach new high](#)

Local Chatter

- More people are upset about CPS decision to return to in-person

Situation Summary:

COVID 19 has reached global transmission.

- Risk Assessment for travel:
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/map-and-travel-notice.html>
- All 50 states, The District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the US Virgin Islands have reported cases of COVID-19.
- 27 states report more than 40,000 cases of COVID-19
- For case information by state follow this link:
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-updates/cases-in-us.html#reporting-cases>

CDC has begun recommending all individuals wear facemasks to reduce the chance of transmission while out in public as of 4/3/2020. Children under the age of 2 should not wear masks because of suffocation risk.

More than half of the states in the United States have issued state wide mask mandates.

The CDC has updated guidance to change when isolation should end for a positive case of COVID 19, now reflecting one day free of fever and an improvement in symptoms. Isolation should end 10 days after symptoms have started. Links for this updated guidance can be found:

- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/disposition-in-home-patients.html>

US travelers are banned from visiting: EU, Bahamas, China, Mexico, Canada, New Zealand and Japan

At Risk Population: Older Adults (60 years of age or older), People who live in a nursing home or long-term care facility, and People with Chronic Health Conditions (Heart Disease, Lung Disease or Asthma, Diabetes, People who are immunocompromised including cancer treatment, or people who are severely obese)

State Information:

Missouri Governor Parson declared a State Emergency on March 13, 2020 to make state resources available to local jurisdictions and activate certain authorities.

- A total 150,554 confirmed cases in Missouri of individuals who have been diagnosed with COVID 19, 2,442 of those cases have died.
- A list of cases reported by county can be found The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services operates a website reporting reported cases of COVID 19 in Missouri at: <https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus/results.php>

Missouri's Governor Announced that on June 22 all stay all state restrictions will be lifted, but social distancing is still recommended:

<https://governor.mo.gov/press-releases/archive/governor-parson-announces-missouri-will-fully-reopen-enter-phase-2-recovery>

Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education released updated guidance regarding COVID 19 mitigation in schools on September 4, 2020.

- <https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus/pdf/updated-joint-guidance-regarding-mitigation-in-schools.pdf>

State Lab COVID 19 Testing:

- State Criteria for Testing Approval: <https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus-lpha/pdf/mo-pui-guidance.pdf>
- Additional classifications for Missouri State Public Health Lab testing: <https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus-lpha/pdf/covid-19-testing-expanded-for-lphas.pdf>

MoDHSS hotline staffed by medical professionals: 877-435-8411

City/County Information:

On March 16, 2020 the City of Columbia declared a state of emergency within the city to respond to COVID-19. The resolution includes calling for proactive measures to protect the

public health, safety and welfare; expressing support for and calling upon City Manager John Glascock and Public Health and Human Services Director Stephanie Browning to enact regulations to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

- Columbia/Boone County hosts an information hub on COVID Cases that have been identified in the county, as well as information about the catchment area cases that the hospitals serve
- <http://gocolumbiamo.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=478880b83d5e4d35b646d80fe6f2c2f6>
- There are 5,482 confirmed cases in Boone County, 14 patients passed away, and 5,039 have recovered from the COVID 19 illness.

Columbia and Boone County issued revised Public Health Orders for Social Distancing to begin on September 18 and continue until another Public Health Order is issued or expire on October 6, they can be found at:

City:

<https://www.como.gov/wp-content/uploads/Health-Order-2020-12-City-of-Columbia-10-1-20.pdf>

County:

<https://www.como.gov/wp-content/uploads/health-order-2020-12C-Boone-County-10-1-20.pdf>

Columbia City Council Passed Mask Ordinance that will go into effect at 5:00 PM on July 10, 2020. It can be found:

<https://www.como.gov/wp-content/uploads/B168-20A-AKA-Face-Mask-Ordinance.pdf>

Boone County Office of Emergency Management opened a virtual EOC on 3/17/2020 to facilitate the coordination of efforts and resources to keep Boone County safe during COVID-19 response efforts.

Columbia Public Schools updated their start date for the 2020/2021 school year to begin after Labor Day.

The City of Columbia Neighborhood Services, in their role as Volunteer Coordination of the Boone Emergency Response Plan, has activated a COVID 19 Volunteer webpage, it can be found here: <https://www.como.gov/volunteer/covid/>

The City of Columbia has a dedicated webpage that provides a summary of City of Columbia services as they related to COVID-19 and it can be found here <https://www.como.gov/coronavirus/>

Received waiver from FDA for non-congregate feeding sites, this allows Columbia Public Schools and other children feeding programs to provide meals to children throughout the summer.

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/covid-19/non-congregate-feeding-nationwide-waiver-extension>

As ESF-6 lead, City of Columbia Division of Human Services has activated a COVID-19 Get Help webpage website to list key human services resources needed during the pandemic: COVID-19 Get Help (<https://www.como.gov/health/gethelp-coronavirus/>).

As ESF-6 lead, City of Columbia Division of Human Services has organized five local funders (City, County, United Way, Community Foundation, and VU Foundation) in a collaborative called ComoHelps (<http://comohelps.org>). Through this collaborative we have consolidated financial donations for the COVID-19 response. Financial contributions are being routed to the Heart of Missouri United Way and the Community Foundation of Central Missouri. Nonprofit and governmental volunteer needs are posted, along with the opportunity for community members to sign up as unaffiliated volunteers for assignment as needed.

ComoHelps also developed a single, joint application for nonprofits to submit requests for funding. This expedites access to support for nonprofits and allows us to coordinate funding used in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The ComoHelps collaborative meets daily to review and prioritize requests and to allocate funding. The current focus is on funding services being provided in response to COVID-19. Requests for nonprofit sustainability are being referred to federal CARES Act programs and tabled for later consideration. Because this funding collaborative is so unique, ComoHelps have received grants from state and national foundations.

The University of Missouri hosts a walk up clinic for COVID 19 testing to its MU Students beginning 8/24/2020.

MU Healthcare hosts a drive thru COVID 19 testing site located at 115 Business Loop 70 W. The site hours of operation to Mon-Fri 8 AM to 7 PM, Saturday 8 AM to Noon, and closed on Sundays.

Boone Hospital hosts a drive thru COVID 19 testing site. This site's hours of operation are Mon-Fri 8 AM-4:30 PM, and Saturdays 8 AM to Noon, closed on Sundays.