



## **Mayors and Managers Meeting Notes from 7.20.2020**

**Municipalities Participating:** Addison, Bartlett, Bensenville, Burr Ridge, Carol Stream, Clarendon Hills, , Darien, Glendale Heights, Hinsdale, Itasca, Lemont, Lisle, Lombard, Naperville, Oakbrook, Oakbrook Terrace, Roselle, West Chicago, Westmont, Willowbrook, S. Quintell – DuPage Mayors and Managers

**DuPage County Representatives Participants:** Sheryl Markay, Chief Policy & Program Officer

**DuPage County Health Department Participants** Karen Ayala, Executive Director; Rashmi Chugh, Medical Officer; Dennis Brennan, Legislative Manager; Chris Hoff, Director of Community Health Resources; Penny Chanez, Executive Asst.

***Purpose of the call today with Mayors and Managers is to address updated case counts, Community and business updates and guidance.*** DuPage County Health Department Deputy Incident Commander, Chris Hoff facilitated the meeting.

Executive Director, Karen Ayala welcomed everyone and shared the following:

- Chairman Cronin expressed his regrets for not being able to participate on today's call.
- The Health Department will be releasing a news release this week informing the public that DuPage County has eclipsed 10,000 confirmed positive COVID-19 cases. Participants were asked to please share this news item on their media platforms when it becomes available.
- Participants were reminded to share messaging with their constituents on the importance of utilizing prevention options as the best way to minimize risk to exposure and community spread.
- On June 23<sup>rd</sup>, the County had it's lowest seven day rolling average off 33.3 cases per day. As of July 19<sup>th</sup>, the average has increased to 65.4 cases per day. This uptick does present concerns that will be discussed in this meeting. This includes the staggering spike in cases among young children and those ages 20-29 years.
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### **COVID-19 UPDATE ON ILLINOIS AND DUPAGE COUNTY CASES**

The Health Department's Medical Officer, Dr. Chugh provided the following case updates and remarks.

- Nationally
  - Confirmed cases: 3,774,769
  - Deaths: 140,563
- State of Illinois
  - confirmed cases: 161,575
  - deaths: 7295
  - Recovery rate of 95%
- DuPage County
  - confirmed cases: 10,185

- deaths: 494
- Recovery rate of 93.7%

### **Data/DuPage County Health Department COVID-19 Dashboard Review**

- Concerning trend of an increase in positive cases and hospitalizations since the reopening occurred under Phase IV of the State's reopening plan and the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday weekend.
  - Average age of confirmed cases from
    - March was 47 years of age from
    - Last 2 weeks is 36 years of age
  - Average age of hospitalization cases from
    - March was 62 years of age.
    - Last two weeks is 55 years of age
  - Average age of deaths from
    - March was 80 years of age
    - Last two weeks was 82 years of age
- Mr. Hoff reported that DuPage County continues to expand testing availability. In response to Mayor Craig' question, Mr. Hoff stated there is a 3 to 4-day turnaround for reporting of results.
- Positivity rate ticked slightly up from previous weeks but still remains under 5%.
- Incubation is between 2-14 days with a 5/7day average of symptom onset.
- Hospitalization and death data graphs continue to reflect at least a 1 to 2-week reporting lag and while dashboard metrics are based on the most current information available, this reporting lag can result in adjustments to the data provided. Any delayed data received in any of the categories is also reflected in the data at the time it is received.
- Dr. Chugh emphasized that positive cases are in all age groups and shared that DCHD has received three reports to date of multiple system inflammatory syndrome in children and two remain hospitalized. A COVID-19-related death also been reported in an individual in their 20's.

Dr. Chugh also stressed the importance of self-isolation if an individual has a confirmed case of COVID-19 and 14 days quarantining for any individual who has had close contact with someone who tested positive. In response to Village President, Dr. Lalmalani 's question on traveling recommendations/self quarantining, Dr. Chugh and Director Ayala responded that the Health Department issued recommendations aligned with CDC for self-quarantining of individuals who are traveling from other areas particularly areas of surging case activity, e.g., Florida, Texas, Georgia and Arizona. Currently these are recommendations and are not the same approach recently taken by the City of Chicago.

In response to Mayor Grasso's question on individuals who test positive but are asymptomatic and the time frame those individuals have the potential to spread the virus, Dr. Chugh shared that they are considered infectious 10 days out from their specimen collection date.

### **Review of State of Illinois Resurgence Plan**

- Mr. Hoff shared that the state recently revised the regional maps from the Restore Illinois Plan from 6 regions to 11 regions. This change resulted in DuPage County moving from being in the same region as Cook County to now being in Region 8 along with Kane County.
- The plan outlines actions to combat a resurgence of COVID-19 with updated guidance that establishes a menu of mitigation options organized by risk level.
- The following health metrics will be used to determine when the spread of the virus in a region requires additional mitigations:
  - Sustained increase in 7-day rolling average (7 out of 10 days) in the positivity rate**AND ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:**
  - Sustained 7-day increase in hospital admissions for a COVID-19 like illness
  - Reduction in hospital capacity threatening surge capabilities (ICU capacity or medical/surgical beds under 20%)**OR**
  - Three consecutive days averaging greater than or equal to 8% positivity rate
- The State's resurgence plan can be found on the State website:  
<http://dph.illinois.gov/regionmetrics>

There was no further discussion. Participants were encouraged to reach out with any other concerns or questions. Director Ayala concluded the call at 10:53AM with no further discussion.