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ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH UPDATE April 10, afternoon

ERIE COUNTY, NY – The Erie County Department of Health (ECDOH) is making the following announcements.

COVID-19 Data Update

As of 4/10/2020 (2 p.m.), ECDOH received a total of 1,498 reports of positive lab-confirmed COVID-19 cases and 53 COVID-19 related deaths among Erie County residents. We are publishing these data to our online case mapping system at www.erie.gov/covidmap.

Narcan Distribution at Broadway Market

ECDOH staff will be at the Broadway Market on Saturday, April 11 from 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. distributing free Narcan (naloxone) kits to anyone that needs it. Look for them in the booth between Lupas Meats and the Seafood Store.

COVID-19 Testing Update

ECDOH has updated its protocol for COVID-19 testing through our Public Health Lab. Our Epidemiology Office is currently prioritizing COVID-19 testing for the following persons:

- Symptomatic hospital and community healthcare workers (HCWs);
- Symptomatic EMT, Fire, Police, and DOCCs personnel;
- Symptomatic household and significant other contacts of hospital and community HCWs;
- Symptomatic hospital and community medical facility staff; and
- Symptomatic patients receiving dialysis or infusion therapy.

At this time the testing request does not need to come from a health care provider. **However, we are urging anyone who has a fever, cough, shortness of breath or other symptoms to contact their physician for medical advice and information on how to manage their symptoms.**

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Individuals who are scheduled for testing will be provided with isolation information when their sample is collected. Results will be provided to tested individuals by phone.

Call (716) 858-2929, option 2 to initiate the testing process. We will be scheduling sample collection at sites within Erie County for next week.

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- **ECDOH, COVID-19 Information Line:** (716) 858-2929 – 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.
- **Erie County Department of Health, COVID-19:** <http://www.erie.gov/covid19>
- **Erie County online map of confirmed cases:** www.erie.gov/covidmap
- **New York State Department of Health Hotline:** (888) 364-3065

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