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June 17, 2020 Erie County, Ohio Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) update

The Erie County Health Department is offering COVID-19 testing at no out-of-pocket cost to anyone who lives or works in Erie County, Ohio. Both PCR testing (nasal swab used to determine if you are currently infected with COVID-19) and Antibody testing (blood draw from the arm used to determine if you were infected with COVID-19 in the past), are available. Call (419) 626-5623 x174 to schedule an appointment.

Please see the following charts for a current status report on the number of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) cases in Erie County, Ohio as of June 17, 2020. The number in parenthesis indicates the change from the previous day.

Total number of cases of COVID-19 in Erie County, Ohio	194 (+4)
Total number of laboratory-confirmed cases	178
Total number of probable cases	16 (+4)
Total number of COVID-19 deaths in Erie County, Ohio	22 (+2)
Total number of laboratory-confirmed deaths	22 (+2)
Total number of probable deaths	0

Total number of hospitalized patients at Firelands for various reasons	136
Total number of COVID-19 positive patients being treated at Firelands	4
Total number of COVID-19 positive patients discharged from Firelands	35
Total number of COVID-19 positive patient deaths at Firelands	2
Total number of employees within Firelands Regional Health System facilities who are currently positive for COVID-19	0
Total number of employees within Firelands Regional Health System who have recovered per CDC guidelines	18

You can help us fight the spread of COVID-19 in our community. If you have symptoms of COVID-19, such as cough, fever, or shortness of breath, enter them into our [Symptom Collector](#). This tool helps public health officials track the spread of the virus in Erie County and allocate resources where needed. For up-to-date local information, visit the Erie County COVID-19 Dashboard at [CovidErieOhio.com](#). For questions about COVID-19, call the Erie County COVID-19 Information Center at 567-867-3243.

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