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July 8, 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 x126 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 July 8, 2020.

Total number of cases of COVID-19 in Erie County, Ohio	246 (+4)
Total number of laboratory-confirmed cases	201 (+3)
Total number of probable cases	45 (+1)
Total number of COVID-19 deaths in Erie County, Ohio	22
Total number of laboratory-confirmed deaths	22
Total number of probable deaths	0

(The number in parenthesis indicates the change from the previous press release on Monday, July 6, 2020)

Total number of hospitalized patients at Firelands for various reasons	125
Total number of COVID-19 positive patients being treated at Firelands	5
Total number of COVID-19 positive patients discharged from Firelands	38
Total number of COVID-19 positive patient deaths at Firelands	3
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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