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**April 14, 2020 Erie County, Ohio Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) update**

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As of Tuesday, April 14, 2020, two (2) new Erie County, Ohio residents have received a laboratory-confirmed positive test result for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). There are currently no probable cases in Erie County. This brings the total number of cases of COVID-19 in Erie County, Ohio to 15. The total number of deaths in Erie County, Ohio is one (1).

Firelands Regional Health System is currently treating four (4) hospitalized patients from Erie County and the surrounding areas who have tested positive for COVID-19, and has a total of 89 patients hospitalized for various reasons.

The Erie County Health Department and Firelands Regional Health System continue to work closely to identify and test potential cases. As the capacity for testing continues to increase locally, the number of laboratory-confirmed positive test results is expected to increase. The Erie County Health Department has a team of epidemiologists who are conducting background investigations and will contact anyone who is a close contact of a laboratory-confirmed or probable case with instructions on self-quarantine and monitoring of symptoms.

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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