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April 10, 2020 Erie County, Ohio Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) update

As of Friday, April 10, 2020, a total of 10 Erie County, Ohio residents have received laboratory-confirmed positive test results for COVID-19, and a total of one (1) Erie County, Ohio resident has died as a result of COVID-19. There are currently no probable cases in Erie County, Ohio. Firelands Regional Health System is currently treating (4) hospitalized patients from Erie County and the surrounding areas who have tested positive for COVID-19, and has a total of 107 patients hospitalized for various reasons.

On April 5, 2020, the Council for State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE) created a standardized case definition for COVID-19 confirmed and probable cases. A confirmed case is a person with laboratory confirmation of COVID-19 infection. A probable case is a person who is a close contact of a laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 case with absent or inconclusive laboratory results for COVID-19. As a result of the new case definitions, the Erie County Health Department is now reporting probable cases of COVID-19, in addition to laboratory-confirmed positive cases.

For up-to-date local information, visit the Erie County COVID-19 Dashboard at <u>CovidErieOhio.com</u>. For questions about COVID-19, call the Erie County COVID-19 Information Center at 567-867-3243.

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