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**Committee Review:** N/A
**Staff:** Linda McMillan, Senior Legislative Analyst
**Purpose:** Receive briefing and have discussion – no vote expected
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AGENDA ITEM #3B
December 1, 2020
**Discussion**

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## SUBJECT

Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update (County Council sitting as the Board of Health)

## EXPECTED ATTENDEES

Dr. Travis Gayles, County Health Officer and Chief of DHHS Public Health Services
Dr. Earl Stoddard, Director, Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security
Dr. Raymond Crowel, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

## COUNCIL DECISION POINTS & COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- Council sitting as Board of Health to receive updates.

## DESCRIPTION/ISSUE

The Council will receive an update on the public health data and emergency response to the COVID-19 public emergency from Dr. Gayles, Dr. Stoddard, and Dr. Crowel.

**State and County Data on November 25, 2020 (Maryland.gov website)**

| November 25, 2020 | Confirmed Cases | Confirmed Deaths | Probable Deaths |
|---|---|---|---|
| Maryland | 188,161 | 4,363 | 155 |
| Montgomery County | 32,005 | 894 | 42 |

**Montgomery County Metrics (from Montgomery County website)**

Montgomery County has updated its metrics that are used for determining when it is safe to move to different phases of reopening businesses and other activities. Each indicator also has a metric for Very High, High, Moderate, Low, or Very Low risk of transmission/utilization. Indicators can be viewed at:
https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/covid19/data/

*Primary Indicators*

Seven-day average number of new confirmed cases per 100,000 population. As of November 25, there is a **VERY HIGH** risk of transmission.

| 19-Nov | 20-Nov | 21-Nov | 22-Nov | 23-Nov | 24-Nov | 25-Nov |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 29.3% | 29.8% | 29.3% | 29.7% | 29.7% | 29.7% | 29.5% |

Fourteen-day average percentage of tests administered resulting in a positive test.  As of November 24, there was a **MODERATE** risk of transmission.

| 19-Nov | 20-Nov | 21-Nov | 22-Nov | 23-Nov | 24-Nov | 25-Nov |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5.1% | 5.1% | 5.1% | 5.1% | 5.0% | 5.1% | NA |

*Secondary Indicators*

Percent change in new cases per 100,000 population during the last seven days compared to the previous seven days. As of November 25, there was a **VERY HIGH** risk of transmission.

| 19-Nov | 20-Nov | 21-Nov | 22-Nov | 23-Nov | 24-Nov | 25-Nov |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 57.2% | 58.0% | 38.3% | 32.8% | 31.6% | 11.5% | 16.5% |

Percent of hospital inpatient beds in the community that are occupied. As of November 23, there was a **LOW** rate of utilization; however, it reached MODERATE on November 19.

| 19-Nov | 20-Nov | 21-Nov | 22-Nov | 23-Nov | 24-Nov | 25-Nov |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 80.0% | 77.0% | 75.2% | 72.8% | 76.0% | NA | NA |

Percent of Intensive Care Unit (ICU) beds in use.  As of November 23, there was a **LOW** rate of utilization; however, it was in the MODERATE range on November 19.

| 19-Nov | 20-Nov | 21-Nov | 22-Nov | 23-Nov | 24-Nov | 25-Nov |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 84.2% | 82.5% | 77.6% | 79.3% | 77.1% | NA | NA |

Percent of inpatient beds in the community occupied by patients with COVID-19.  As of November 23, there was a **VERY HIGH** rate of utilization.

| 19-Nov | 20-Nov | 21-Nov | 22-Nov | 23-Nov | 24-Nov | 25-Nov |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 16.5% | 16.7% | 16.2% | 17.3% | 18.4% | NA | NA |

The State and County websites include information on cases and deaths by age.  The following is a summary of the State information for November 25 and County information for November 17.

| Maryland November 25, 2020 | Confirmed Cases | Confirmed Deaths | % of Cases By Age | % Confirmed Deaths by Age |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Age: | | | | |
| 0-9 years | 7,771 | 0 | 4.1% | 0.0% |
| 10-19 years | 16,751 | 3 | 8.9% | 0.1% |
| 20-29 years | 35,858 | 26 | 19.1% | 0.6% |
| 30-39 years | 33,703 | 53 | 17.9% | 1.2% |
| 40-49 years | 29,630 | 139 | 15.7% | 3.2% |
| 50-59 years | 27,738 | 351 | 14.7% | 8.0% |
| 60-69 years | 18,383 | 698 | 9.8% | 16.0% |
| 70-79 years | 10,576 | 1,097 | 5.6% | 25.1% |
| 80+ years | 7,751 | 1,994 | 4.1% | 45.7% |
| Not available | 0 | 2 | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Total | 188,161 | 4,363 | 100.0% | 100.0% |

| Montgomery County November 17, 2020 | Confirmed Cases | Confirmed Deaths | % of Cases By Age | % Confirmed Deaths by Age |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Age: | | | | |
| 0-9 years | 1,419 | 0 | 4.6% | 0.0% |
| 10-19 years | 2,762 | 0 | 9.0% | 0.0% |
| 20-29 years | 5,337 | 0 | 17.5% | 0.0% |
| 30-39 years | 5,458 | 14 | 17.8% | 1.6% |
| 40-49 years | 5,078 | 34 | 16.6% | 3.9% |
| 50-59 years | 4,451 | 58 | 14.6% | 6.6% |
| 60-69 years | 2,796 | 120 | 9.1% | 13.6% |
| 70-79 years | 1,512 | 184 | 4.9% | 20.9% |
| 80+ years | 1,771 | 471 | 5.8% | 53.5% |
| Not available | - | - | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Total | 30,584 | 881 | 100.0% | 100.0% |

The following is the State website report on statewide case and death data for race and ethnicity.

| Maryland November 25, 2020 | Confirmed Cases | Confirmed Deaths | % of Total Cases | % Confirmed Deaths |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| African American (NH) | 56,544 | 1,715 | 30.1% | 39.3% |
| Asian (NH) | 3,669 | 158 | 1.9% | 3.6% |
| White (NH) | 55,720 | 1,916 | 29.6% | 43.9% |
| Hispanic | 36,545 | 477 | 19.4% | 10.9% |
| Other (NH) | 8,618 | 49 | 4.6% | 1.1% |
| Not available | 27,065 | 48 | 14.4% | 1.1% |
| Total | 188,161 | 4,363 | 100.0% | 100.0% |

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