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AGENDA ITEM #2A
 April 27, 2021
Discussion

SUBJECT

Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update and County Health Planning

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.

Background Information

State and County Data on April 22, 2021 (Maryland.gov website)

April 22, 2021	Confirmed Cases	Confirmed Deaths	Probable Deaths
Maryland	439,992	8,439	186
Montgomery County	69,147	1,460	46

Vaccine Allotments and Distribution

On December 23, 2020, the Montgomery County Health Department received its first allotment of vaccine to be distributed in accordance with the Maryland State vaccination plan. The County has created a vaccine dashboard:

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/covid19/vaccine/>

Montgomery County Residents Vaccinated (all doses administered in the State of Maryland)

Date	MC Residents received 1 st Dose	MC Residents Fully Vaccinated
April 22, 2021	508,538 (48.4%)	322,982 (30.7%)

The County website also has information on alerts, preregistration, and links to other vaccination sites.

Montgomery County Case 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 April 7, there is a **MODERATE** risk of transmission.

16-Apr	17-Apr	18-Apr	19-Apr	20-Apr	21-Apr	22-Apr
11.6%	11.0%	10.9%	9.8%	9.3%	9.1%	9.0%

Fourteen-day average percentage of tests administered resulting in a positive test. As of April 6, there was a **LOW** risk of transmission.

16-Apr	17-Apr	18-Apr	19-Apr	20-Apr	21-Apr	22-Apr
11.6%	11.0%	10.9%	9.8%	9.3%	9.1%	9.0%

Secondary Indicators

Percent change in new cases per 100,000 population during the last seven days compared to the previous seven days. As of April 7, there was a **VERY LOW** risk of transmission.

16-Apr	17-Apr	18-Apr	19-Apr	20-Apr	21-Apr	22-Apr
3.4%	-5.1%	-3.6%	-14.3%	-22.6%	-22.9%	-24.5%

Percent of hospital inpatient beds in the community that are occupied. As of March 31, there was a **LOW** rate of utilization.

16-Apr	17-Apr	18-Apr	19-Apr	20-Apr	21-Apr	22-Apr
79.4%	77.6%	74.4%	77.2%	NA	NA	NA

Percent of Intensive Care Unit (ICU) beds in use. As of April 6, there was a **MODERATE** rate of utilization for the system. Certain hospitals may be at capacity.

16-Apr	17-Apr	18-Apr	19-Apr	20-Apr	21-Apr	22-Apr
81.1%	86.2%	83.2%	86.2%	NA	NA	NA

Percent of inpatient beds in the community occupied by patients with COVID-19. As of April 1, there was a **MODERATE** rate of utilization.

16-Apr	17-Apr	18-Apr	19-Apr	20-Apr	21-Apr	22-Apr
6.5%	7.0%	7.3%	7.8%	NA	NA	NA

The State and County websites include information on cases and deaths by age. The following is a summary of the State data for April 22 and County data for April 16.

Maryland	Confirmed	Confirmed	% of Cases	% Confirmed
April 22, 2021	Cases	Deaths	By Age	Deaths by Age
Age:				
0-9 years	23,784	3	5.4%	0.0%
10-19 years	44,423	6	10.1%	0.1%
20-29 years	80,728	37	18.3%	0.4%
30-39 years	75,351	85	17.1%	1.0%
40-49 years	65,904	239	15.0%	2.8%
50-59 years	65,923	689	15.0%	8.2%
60-69 years	44,034	1,385	10.0%	16.4%
70-79 years	24,303	2,159	5.5%	25.6%
80+ years	15,542	3,834	3.5%	45.4%
Not available	0	2	0.0%	0.0%
Total	439,992	8,439	100.0%	100.0%

Montgomery County	Confirmed	Confirmed	% of Cases	% Confirmed
April 16, 2021	Cases	Deaths	By Age	Deaths by Age
Age:				
0-9 years	4,122	0	6.0%	0.0%
10-19 years	7,200	0	10.5%	0.0%
20-29 years	11,967	1	17.4%	0.1%
30-39 years	11,620	21	16.9%	1.4%
40-49 years	11,043	46	16.1%	3.2%
50-59 years	9,933	100	14.5%	6.9%
60-69 years	6,394	203	9.3%	14.0%
70-79 years	3,194	307	4.7%	21.2%
80+ years	3,149	773	4.6%	53.3%
Not available	-	-	0.0%	0.0%
Total	68,622	1,451	100.0%	100.0%

The following is from the State and County websites on case and death data for race and ethnicity.

Maryland	Confirmed	Confirmed	% of Total	% Confirmed
April 22, 2021	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
African American (NH)	133,597	2,935	30.4%	34.8%
Asian (NH)	10,601	295	2.4%	3.5%
White (NH)	155,028	4,298	35.2%	50.9%
Hispanic	67,341	760	15.3%	9.0%
Other (NH)	20,571	83	4.7%	1.0%
Not available	52,854	68	12.0%	0.8%
Total	439,992	8,439	100.0%	100.0%

Montgomery County	Confirmed	Confirmed	% of Total	% Confirmed
April 16, 2021	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
African American (NH)	10,815	261	16.0%	18.1%
Asian (NH)	2,633	149	3.9%	10.3%
White (NH)	13,725	695	20.3%	48.2%
Hispanic	20,574	302	30.4%	20.9%
Other (NH)	5,804	42	8.6%	2.9%
Not available	15,071	2	22.2%	0.1%
Total	68,622	1,451	101.3%	100.6%

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