



Fairfax County Health Department Situation Report

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Incident Name: Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Date: 03/29/2020

Time: 5:00 PM

FOCUS Incident Number: 4G71-000-025

WebEOC Incident Name: FFX - COVID-19

FCHD Incident Commander: Benjamin Schwartz, MD

FCHD Agency Operating Status:

- IMT Activation Level: Full
- Agency COOP Level: Partial
- Call Center: Activated

Fairfax County Operating Status:

- EOC Activation Level: Partial, M-F 0800-1430
 - On Call Weekends
- County Status: Open
- School Status: Closed – rest of school year
- Court Status: Judicial Emergency (Modified)

Life Safety:

- Confirmed Fairfax Health District Cases: 188
- Confirmed Virginia Cases: 890
- Fairfax Health District Fatalities: 2

Public Health Infrastructure:

- Health Department Facilities: Modified Services
 - Effective 03/24/2020, FCHD will consolidate services across its five district offices to two locations. The Joseph Willard Health Center in the City of Fairfax and the Herndon Reston District Office will remain open for essential services offered by appointment only, Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 - Both sites will offer limited services by appointment, including immunizations, pregnancy tests, STI services, TB testing and yellow fever immunizations.
- Hospitals: Modified Visitor Policies
 - Inova Urgent Care (UCC) locations at Dulles South, North Arlington and Tysons will staff Respiratory Illness Clinics to evaluate all patients with respiratory illness symptoms. The three clinics will also be able to collect COVID-19 vehicle-side samples that have been ordered by physicians.
- Free Standing Emergency Departments: Normal Operations
- Skilled Nursing Facilities: Some Modified Visitor Policies
- Dialysis Centers: Normal Operations
- Regional Healthcare Coordination Center: Partial

Acronym List

CBP – Customs & Border Protection
CDC – Centers for Disease Control & Prevention
COVID – Coronavirus disease
DCLS – Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services
DPSC – Department of Public Safety Communications
EMS – Emergency Medical Services
EUA – Emergency Use Authorization
FDA – Food and Drug Administration
FCFRD – Fairfax County Fire & Rescue Department
FCHDL – Fairfax County Health Department Laboratory
IAD – Dulles International Airport
IMT – Incident Management Team
PUI – Patient Under Investigation
SNF – Skilled Nursing Facility
VDH – Virginia Department of Health



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Situation Background:

On 01/22/20, FCHD activated its IMT in response to an outbreak of respiratory illness (now called COVID-19) caused by a novel coronavirus that was first detected in China and which continues to expand. The FCHD IMT has been activated for **67** days in response to COVID-19 and currently has **213** staff activated to support the response. **The incident has been split into 2 shifts, currently shift (EVEN) has 57 personnel assigned. Monday, March 30, 2020, (ODD) shift will report.**

COVID-19 Summary	
*As of 03/29/2020	
<u>United States*</u>	
Number of Cases	132,637*
Number of Deaths	2,382
Number of Jurisdictions Reporting Cases	54 (50 states, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, and US Virgin Islands)
<u>Virginia</u>	
Number of Cases	890
Number of Hospitalizations	112
Number of Deaths	22

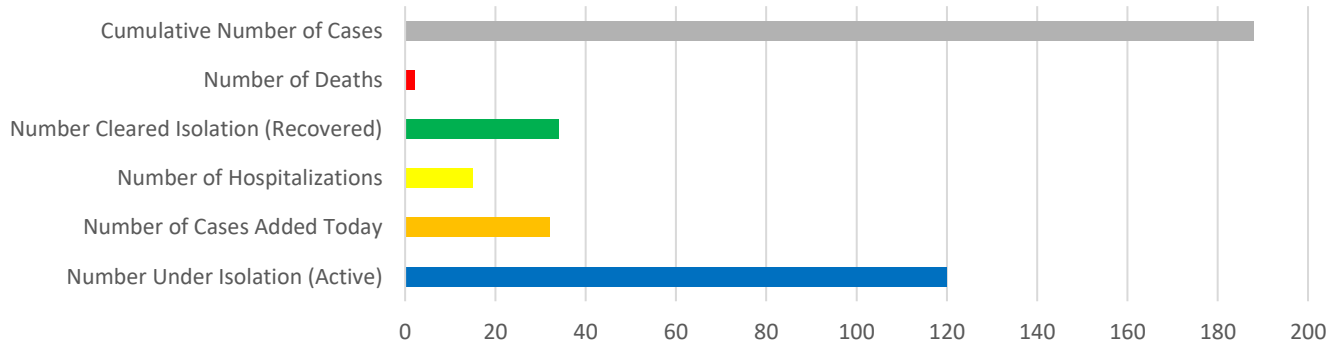
** Data include both confirmed and presumptive positive cases of COVID-19 reported to CDC or tested at CDC since January 21, 2020, with the exception of testing results for persons repatriated to the United States from Wuhan, China and Japan. State and local public health departments are now testing and publicly reporting their cases. In the event of a discrepancy between CDC cases and cases reported by state and local public health officials, data reported by states should be considered the most up to date.*



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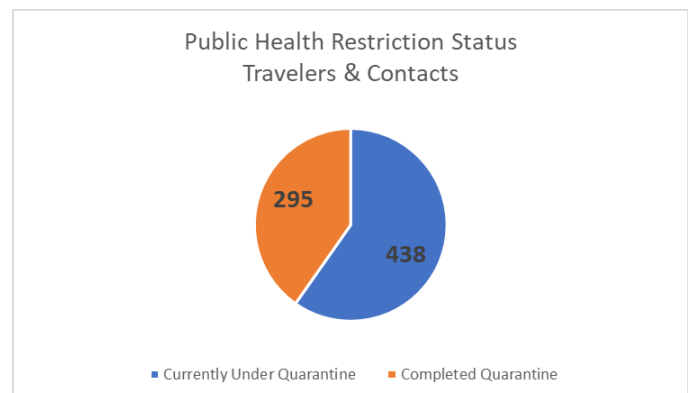
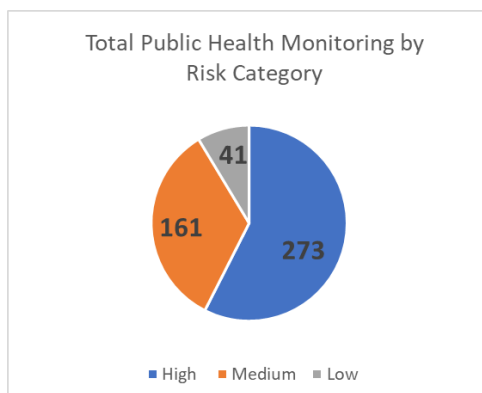
Fairfax Health District COVID19 Case Summary



	Number Under Isolation (Active)	Number of Cases Added Today	Number of Hospitalizations	Number Cleared Isolation (Recovered)	Number of Deaths	Cumulative Number of Cases
Counts	120	32	15	34	2	188

There has been a cumulative total of **188** presumptive positive or confirmed cases of COVID-19 and the first death was reported on 03/22/20 in the Fairfax Health District, of which **120** cases are under isolation (active). **A second death was reported on 03/28/20.** There are currently **multiple** high-risk facilities in the Fairfax Health District with contact investigations ongoing. As with any novel disease, this is a rapidly evolving situation and additional information will be updated as it becomes available.

FCHD Epidemiology – Residents Currently Under Public Health Monitoring: 03/29/2020





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Travel Advisories:

- CDC has issued a Level 3 travel health notice, with restrictions upon entry into the US for foreign nationals arriving from China, Iran, Ireland, United Kingdom, and most European countries.
- CDC has issued a Level 3 travel health notice advising travelers to avoid all nonessential travel for all global destinations.
- On 03/28/20, CDC issued a domestic travel advisory for New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut.
- On 03/19/20, the U.S. Department of State issued a Global Level 4 Health Advisory asking U.S. citizens to avoid all international travel due to the global impact of COVID-19.

Incident Update, Status, Activities:

- FCHD Epidemiology Activity:
 - Contact Investigation groups will double in size to meet the needs of an increasing caseload.
 - Contact investigations will be prioritized for vulnerable populations settings, healthcare workers and first responders, congregate settings, and other high-risk circumstances.
 - Monitoring groups will increase by one task force per shift to manage the increase of contacts identified through contact investigations.
 - Communicable disease epidemiologists and public health nurses are making contact with travelers returning from China and Iran who meet CDC's "medium risk" profile in order to screen for fever and symptoms consistent with COVID-19 infection. Epidemiologists and public health nurses are also conducting contact investigations on all presumptive positive and confirmed cases in the Fairfax Health District and are providing technical assistance to other portions of the FCHD IMT related to disease transmission and investigation.
- FCHD Laboratory Activity:
 - Effective 03/26/2020, the Fairfax County Health Department Laboratory implemented molecular testing for SARS-CoV-2, utilizing the CDC assay under the EUA. All suspected persons under investigation (PUIs) must be evaluated and approved for testing by the Health Department prior to submission of specimens.
 - Safety Officers will be performing a safety audit at the Joseph Willard to ensure all agency safety protocols are in place and being followed.
 - In order to maintain continued operations and ensure the health and safety of our staff, temperature and symptom monitoring stations will be located within the following facilities: FCHD Lab, FCHD Willard District Office, and FCHD administrative building at Kelly Square to take temperatures of staff as they report to work each day.
 - The online [COVID-19 Testing Request Form](#) is now live. For consistency, VDH request that all public health testing requests be submitted using the online form moving forward.
- FCHD Liaison Activity:
 - FCHD continues to coordinate with and provide regular updates to emergency management, public safety, academic, governmental, healthcare and community partners in the Fairfax Health District.



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- FCHD Public Information and Community Outreach Activity:
 - The FCHD PIO team has stood up a [COVID-19 webpage](#) on the public-facing website which is being updated regularly. A JIC has been established at Kelly Square with staff from OPA and FCHD continuing to post regular updates on the incident and, respond to questions and information requests from the public and media on all digital, social and web platforms.
 - The Joint Information Center will go to a virtual JIC beginning on 03/26/20. The JIC phone line will be forwarded to the JIC Manager's cell phone daily.
 - FCHD has activated a call center to receive calls from members of the community. Beginning 03/30/2020 it will be open Monday to Friday from 9:00am to 7:00pm and weekends from 9:30am to 5:00pm. Staff will report 8:00am-7:30pm.
 - A Second call center handling outgoing calls will be established in the AEOC at the government center starting 04/03/20.

	3/27/2020 – 3/30/2020 Ops Period 9	Cumulative (01/22/20-Present)
Media Requests	4	118
FCHD Coronavirus Hotline	259*	6,429*

**As of 5:00 p.m. 03/29/20*

- FCHD Logistic Section Information:
 - Daily temperature monitoring will begin for health staff starting Monday, 3/30/20 for all Health Department COVID-19 responders.
 - Logistics Section staffing will continue to increase to support the mission, specifically the Medical Unit.

Additional Resources:

- [FCHD COVID-19 Webpage](#) & [FCHD Novel Coronavirus Situation Update Video 03/02/20](#)
- [VDH COVID-19 Webpage](#)
- [CDC COVID-19 Webpage](#)
- [WHO COVID-19 Global Response Webpage](#)
- [Johns Hopkins University Dashboard of COVID-19 Cases Globally](#)
- [VA Governor Guidance FAQ](#)